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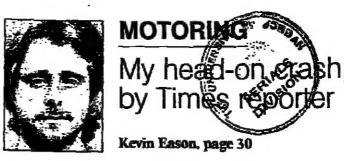
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Expelled: Palestinians from the Gaza Strip slump in their seats as guards wait for the order to wave their bus across the Israeli frontier into Lebanon yesterday

Expulsions put Israel peace talks at risk

BY MARTIN FLETCHER AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

ported Palestinians crossed into Lebanon last night and took with them the hopes of continuing the Middle East

The Israeli supreme court's decision to allow the expulsions to go ahead came in spite of an appeal by President Bush and warnings from Arab negotiators that the expulsions could "deal a death blow" to the talks. Mr Bush, in a state-ment issued after he had met Arab and Israeli delegates to the negotiations, urged the parties to keep talking. He said Arabs and Israelis should stop all forms of violence "and avoid such reactions as deporations that risk complicating

the search for peace". Earlier, Lawrence Eagle-burger, the Secretary of State, had expressed strong objec-tions to deportations. The Palestinians, Syrians and Jor-danians boycotted yesterday's peace talks with Israel. Haidar Abdel-Shafi, the chief Palestinian negotiator, said that unless the deportation order was rescinded, it would be impossible to continue the talks.

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Nato alert as Serbs threaten UK troops

By George Brock, Michael Evans and Philip Webster

NATO is ready to take military action to help the United Nations to enforce the "no-fly" zone over Bosnia-Herzegovina. The declaration from the alliance's foreign ministers last night came in direct defiance of an ultimatum from the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, who vesterday wrote to John Major threatening to attack British soldiers if Western combat aircraft became

involved in the conflict. Radovan Karadzic, whose self-declared Serb republic in Bosnia yesterday claimed to be unilaterally ending the "ethnic religious war", said in his letter that if the "no-fly" zone were enforced by Western aircraft. UN troops on the ground would be declared hostile and be in danger of attack. The ultimatum was immediately rejected by the prime minister, who made clear that he would not be

That view was reinforced by the Nato ministers meeting in Brussels who pronounced their willingness to support the UN in enforcing a ban on flights over the republic. Their statement did not elaborate on

WITHIN yards of the Mus-lim-Croat front line with the

Serbs a row of young boys lie

motionless in hospital beds

overlooking a line of crosses

marking the 40 graves of their fellows killed by the cold.

More than 400 patients in the Pazaric asylum face an uncertain future in the Bosni-

an winter due to freezing

temperatures and fuel and

clothing shortages. In one room, freshly cut wooden

The hospital staff of 17 has

fallen in the past few weeks to four nurses, a social worker

and the director. The hospi-

tal's only doctor is missing in Sarajevo. Nobody knows if he

first aid consignments to reach the asylum, which was isolated for much of the war.

We went via a muddy, icy,

mountainous track, in a forest that we were told had been

mined, to avoid shelling on

the more dangerous main

We travelled with one of the

crosses wait to be used.

John Major's defiance of a Serbian ultimatum suggests that Western aircraft may soon start enforcing the 'no fly' zone over Bosnia

Britain's Douglas Hurd said that the UN Security Council would issue the enforcement resolution "reasonably soon". He added, however: "That is not to say it will be implemented immediately."

Lawrence Eagleburger, the

American secretary of state, added that aid convoys might have to be halted while air strikes were carried out. If the UN passed a resolution authorising force to be used against Serb aircraft, implementing it "might have to take precedence over the quesiton of delivering aid for a short period of time," he said.

Mr Hurd and Mr

Eagleburger spoke after a strained meeting that sharply exposed the differences beween the British and American approaches to the next stage of the Balkan conflict. There is a degree of annovance that the Americans have suddenly become so bullish when they have no troops in Bosnia. Their only presence on the ground consists of 15

Winter and a row of wooden

crosses await asylum victims

road. Behind the barbed wire

that encircled the asylum in

the tiny village of Pazaric, women huddled near a wood-

burning stove while a nurse

treated them as best she could

The asylum, a collection of

whitewashed buildings with

boarded-up windows that

quickly have acquired the

ramshackie appearance com-

mon to so many parts of Bosnia, has no electricity.

heating or fuel. The laundry

has broken down. Soiled blan-

kets and clothes are burnt,

creating new shortages. All the patients desperately need

The children, who make up

60 per cent of the 420 in-

officers on the staff of the UN Bosnian command headquarters at Kiseljak, 20 miles west of Sarajevo. Mr Major is expected to underline this point as diplomatically as he can when he meets President Bush today for a weekend of talks that will almost certainly pave the way for a UN

resolution next week. The prime minister clearly hopes that such a resolution will be enough to persuade the Serbs to back off, although ministers accept that if that does not happen, the allies will have to face up to enforcing it. Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary, does not believe that a case has been made out for increasing the 2,400-strong British force, but senior officials say that if British resolve were put to the test, it would

not be found wanting. In writing to Mr Major yesterday. Dr Karadzic was seeking to exploit the divisions between countries with troops serving in Bosnia and those that have not contributed any

More than 400 mentally handicapped men, women and children cower in fear in Pazaric

on the front line with the Serbs as the war

rages around them. Ruth Gledhill reports on

their plight as winter begins to grip their poorly equipped asylum

fresh vegetables.

mates, are barely surviving on

a diet of rice and water cooked

in the open air. The only laughter I heard was when

our interpreter, Amela, 17,

asked on our behalf when

they had last eaten meat or

Thousands of shells have

landed on or near the hospital

since the war began. Repeated shelling has broken most of the windows facing the

front line. To add to the terror,

most shelling takes place after

nightfall, and in a mental

hospital with no electricity

the fear that this engenders

can scarcely be imagined. Recently, however, the firing

has ceased and we went in

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warnings have been greeted with angry contempt, they highlight precisely the fears expressed by Mr Major, Mr Hurd and Mr Rifkind. In his letter, Dr Karadzic claimed that he would not be able to control his troops on the ground if they saw there aircraft shot down. If that happened, the UN would be wise to withdraw all its ground troops, he wrote.

"If it is decided that the UN security council resolution should be enforced byt he sue of force, and if this results in the destruction of our helicopeters, the parliament of the republic will almost cer-tainly declare all UN forces as hostile. I think we should have contingency arrangements to evacuate all UN ground troops currently serving in the Serbian controlled parts of Bosnia Herzegovina as quick-ly as possible."

The letter, which was also sent to Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary general, was Dr Karadzic's second such warning this week. On Wed-nesday, he declared in Geneva that any shooting down of Serbian aircraft would be treated as an act of war.

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£1 lottery will make millionaires

BRITAIN'S new national lottery, which could make someone a millionaire every week for the cost of a EI ticket, was

unveiled yesterday.
Publishing the National
Lottery Bill, Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, said the proceeds from the lottery, due to start in 1994, would not be a substitute for public spending on the arts, sports and heritage. A Downing Street spokesman described it as a "Christmas present for the nation".

An estimated £1.5 billion worth of lottery tickets will be bought each year, yielding £14 million worth of prizes a week and £350 million a year for Football pools companies.

however, said the lottery could put more than 1,000 jobs at Job promises, page 2

South-East jobless total hits recora 10%

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

ONE in ten of the workforce in the South-East is now out of work, according to figures released yesterday. Unemployment nationally has risen to more than 2.9 million. The government admitted that the increase was discouraging, while Labour said it would be a dismal Christmas for those out of work.

In the South-East, one of the areas hardest hit by the recession, the unemployment rate topped 10 per cent for the first time. The rate of 10.1 per cent represents 916,800 people. Unemployment in the South-East has risen by a quarter in the past year, compared to a national average rise of 15.5 per cent. In London the total is

FALLING OUT

Six hundred army officers will be redundant because there are not enough lieutenant-colonels volunteering to leave Page 2

458.300 - an even higher rate of 11.3 per cent, also the highest on record. Only the North of England, at 11.8 per cent, and Northern Ireland, at 14.6 per cent are worse off. In Northern Ireland the total fell for the third month prompting speculation that the region last to go into recession might be the first out.

Nationally, seasonally-adjusted unemployment rose in November by 41,100, to 2,908,900, the highest for five and a half years. Government statisticians expect unemployment to continue to rise at about 32,000 a month. The total looks likely to top the strategically important level of 3 million early in the new year.



Cambridge researchers beat Oxford challenge

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

vesterday established a clear lead over its ancient rival Oxford in the most extensive university research rankings carried out in Britain.

The official assessment of 43,000 academics' research will be used to distribute more than £650 million to university departments next year. Those with the lowest rating will have no access to funding councils' main re-

which previously received automatic funding for research, dominated the rankings of 72 different subjects. A media studies research centre of five academics at Westminster University, the former Polytechnic of Central London, was the sole representative of the new universities in the top category. Forty of the 52 units entered by Cambridge score, compared with 28 of the 45 Oxford entries. University College London had

22 top-rated units out of 43. Dr Anne Lonsdale, Oxford's director of external relations, said the university had reservations about the exercise. "There are one or two areas where we are surprised by the results. We certainly do not think that the substance of the work is accurately reflected but it is up to us to look at how we

set about it." None of the Oxbridge units assessed scored less than three out of five points. indicating that most research was of national standing. All 3,000 academics will continue to be eligible for research funding. Warwick had the best average score among the provin-cial universities, although Nottingham equalled its record of 11 top-rated units. ditional Oxbridge alternatives such as Bristol and Durham. Edinburgh was the most successful Scottish

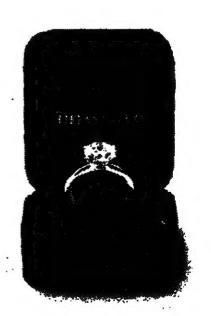
university.
Professor Graeme Davies, chairman of the Universities Funding Council, which carried out the exercise, said that he expected criticism He added: "If we are committed to quality, then we must be prepared to be measured, and that is what this is all about."

rise in the quality of re-search in the traditional universities since their last assessment three years ago. The new universities, included for the first time, had some notable successes, but registered most of the low

did not enter any academics have complained that the exercise did not reflect the applied nature of their work and lack of previous funding. Professor Davies said that the assessment showed sound research in many new universities, and several million pounds was being made available to develop areas of

More than 450 leading researchers and non-academic experts assessed the

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Scots MPs force Commons to suspend business

By OUR POLITICAL STAFF

ON THE last day of term. Scottish MPs arranged a little Christmas pantomime that Commons into chaos yester-day. Senior Tory figures angrily denounced the "wild men of Scotland" for ambushing the final sitting before the holiday and for forcing the Speaker to take the rare action of suspending business for

nearly three hours. More than a dozen MPs forced the suspension as they demonstrated against govern-ment plans allowing Scottish hospitals to opt out of health board control, Tory figures were quick to blame John Smith, calling on the Labour leader to take action to prevent MPs from stage-managing further protests to disrupt debate. One senior Tory said: "John Smith is very worried about the effect the wild men of Scotland might have on his party's reputation. He has got to get them under control."

The suspension arose as the government announced that eight out of the 14 applicants for National Health Service trust status in Scotland were being approved. Scottish Labour members demanded a ministerial statement and, when it became clear that there would not be one, a group of 12 MPs stood directly in front of the mace.

The protest was a more vociferous repetition of a demonstration by Scottish MPs fear that some Labour MPs

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that disrupted the Commons on the final day of the last parliamentary session, in July. One Tory MP said that such demonstrations "ate away at the very heart of democracy. If we can stop debate whenever we disagree, there is no point having elected representatives."

Yesterday's dispute brought



Smith: urged to keep MPs under control

to the boil a simmering argument between the two main parties over what Tories say is Scotland's over-representation. Under strict proportional rules. Conservatives claim. Scotland would have 10 MPs fewer than the 72 current ones, the majority of whom are Labour.

With Tom Clarke, Labour's shadow Scottish secretary, away through illness. Tories

UP TO 12 MONTHS

DISHWASHERS.

future of Scottish hospitals being made public in the press rather than through a statewill feel increasingly frustrated that the party's huge domina-tion in Scotland is not ment to the Commons. adequately represented. English Tories who missed

ment to the Commons.

There were also complaints from Tories that Betty Boothroyd, the Speaker, had not been rough enough in stopping the trouble from the opportunity to raise other issues in the Commons after yesterday's suspension, said that they were furious at the "deeply serious disruption of getting out of control. MPs said that the "naming" of one the proceedings of Parlia-ment". David Nicholson. Conservative MP for Taunor more MPs, meaning that they would be barred from the ton, who had been hoping to Commons for several days when Parliament resumes next month, could have stopped the furore. There speak in a debate on council spending, said: "It is a sinister development and very sad that it should have happened at Christmas, when we should have been cases like this in the past and the naming of MPs has prevented things getting out of hand," one senior Tory have left here in a spirit of goodwill."
David Madel, Conservative

MP for Bedfordshire South

West, who was due to speak on

loss of manufacturing jobs in

his constituency, described the

loss of his motion as "a wretched way to end the year.

My constituents are very angry about it. as am I." Gary

Waller (C. Keighley) com-

plained of the irony that the protest over the National Health Service might have

deprived him of his last

chance to protest at the pro-

posed closure of a hospital in

There is no recent precedent

for most of the day's business

to be wiped out because of a

protest by a group of MPs. The Labour protesters said

that they were angry at the

announcements about the

his constituency.

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Hints of yesterday's trouble had reached Scottish journalists on Wednesday and it became clear during the morning that something was brewing when Scottish MPs raised a series of points of order during what was expected to be a routine end-ofsession day with a series of short debates, mainly on local

Michael Morris, the deputy Speaker, found himself increasingly under pressure as Labour MPs refused to bow to his rulings and eventually staged a demonstration by standing in front of the mace in a gesture of defiance. Before suspending the sitting for ten minutes, he said: "I imagine you have got enormous cover-

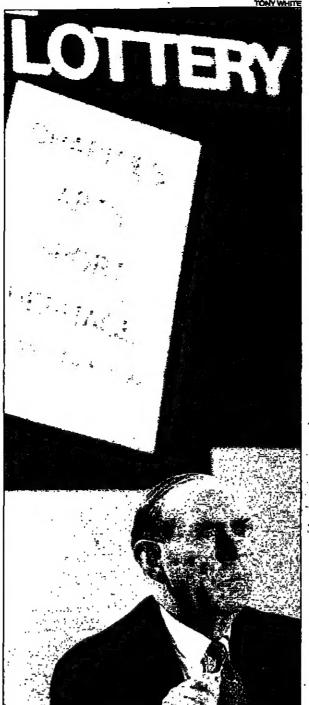
When the sitting resumed shortly after noon, Miss Boothroyd took the chair and. after hearing points of order and renewed demands for a ministerial statement, she suspended the sitting until 3pm, the scheduled time for the House to rise for the Christmas recess.

About 40 MPs had gathered in the chamber and, despite an attempt by Maria Fyfe. a Labour frontbencher, to raise a point of order, Miss Boothroyd announced the royal assent to several acts and swiftly adjourned the Commons until January 11.

The press, on the instruc-tions of the Sir Alan Urwick, Serjeant at Arms, were immediately deared from their gallery. The public gallery was empty for the minute-long exercise. The mace was re-moved and MPs formally began their three-week Christmas recess.

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'It will create jobs, millionaires and museums'



Taking a gamble: Peter Brooke expects opposition

Brooke vows lottery will soothe all ills

By SHEILA GUNN AND ALISON ROBERTS

will create millionaires, muse-ums and harmless fun for the nation, Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, promised yesterday. Publishing the national lot-

tery bill, Mr Brooke said the use of proceeds for arts. sports, heritage, charities and the Millenium Fund would not be a substitute for public

spending.
He said an estimated £1.5 billion worth of lottery tickets would be bought each year. creating £14 million worth of prizes every week and about £350 million a year for good causes. A weekly jackpot prize of £1 million is to be offered. with tickets likely to cost about £1.

However, football pools companies yesterday warned that more than 1,000 jobs were now at risk. Malcolm Hughes, managing director of Vernons Pools, said that both Zetters and Vernons would not survive the lottery in its proposed form. Mr Brooke's insistence that the lottery would not draw customers away from the pools was "nonsense", he said.
"As presented, this bill will

only lead to continuing uncertainty and anxiety among our workforce in the northwest. In the current economic climate this is unpardonable," he said.

In an effort to defuse opposition, Mr Brooke said the lottery, due to start in 1994, would create a new private sector business, new jobs and new work for existing firms. "It opens up a wealth of exciting new oppor-tunities. It will create million-

cessions to appease the pools lobby, but said that "talk of a level playing field is mis-placed".

The Sports Council wel-comed the bill, however, call-ing it "tremendously good news for sport at all levels". Lottery money for arts organ-isations will be distributed by the Arts Council, which said no less than a third of the turnover must be set aside for

good causes.

Mr Brooke did not say how large a slice of revenue sport and the arts should expect. He is still negotiating the tax to be levied with estimates now hovering around 15 per cent. Administration costs are also unknown. Britain is the only European country without some form of national lottery and, as trade barriers are lowered next year, other countries will be able to operate lotteries in Britain. Mr Brooke is also to relax regulations on lotteries run by voluntary bodies and local authorities

"The lottery will help fund all sorts of projects, from new swimming pools and sports complexes to new theatres and arts centres," said Mr Brooke. The lottery would be an extra source of money for projects which might never be realised otherwise.

Bids for Millennium Fund cash are already being put forward. The Tate Gallery wants funds to build a museum of modern art in London and the £250 million Royal Opera House development badly needs funds.

The bill, which Mr Brooke wants to become law by August, is expected to be bitterly fought in Parliament

Oflot watchdog will ensure fair play

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

ONE of the original wooden chests used in the million lottery, first held in 1694, had pride of place in the Treasury yesterday when the bill to set up the national lottery was published. The 17th-century lottery helped raise public

money to fight the French.
The national lottery, due to start operation 300 years later, in 1994, will be privately run and strictly regulated. distributing funds for arts, sports, heritage, charities and the Millenium

Fund for projects marking the year 2000. Peter Brooke, the heritage secre-tary, expects the bill to become law by the summer recess.

The key powers will lie with a director-general, appointed for a five-year term, of an Office of the National Lottery (Offict) which is to check the propriety of the national lottery, protect the interests of ticket buyers and make sure that it raises the maximum amount for good

operator, and smaller firms, to run pames. Operators could be required to hand over a "performance bond" to protect the interests of prize winners. The director-general will sanction the types of games allowed and set out

conditions for licences. The bill eases regulations on charities'

and councils' lotteries by raising prize limits from £12,000 to £25,000, and the maximum turnover allowed on any one ottery from £180,000 to £250.

Cold, fear and Serb gunfire surround asylum victims

Continued from page 1 relative safety with a 16-ton lorry of aid from the UK

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Some aid has got through already. British troops of the United Nations, including £279.99 \$70 TRADE-IN men of The 9th/12th Lancers, The Royal Irish Regiment and The Cheshires carried the heaters and blankets that we saw at the hospital. The Dutch £299.99 army has also taken in aid. SAVE £50 But Feed the Children was the first British charity to get through to the asylum. Mr

Sladoje said: "First we do not have electricity. Then there is no heating. There is no underwear, no fuel. We need wood and coal." In Bosnia, he said. nearly all the patients in another frontline mental institution, all women and children. were feared dead. Mr Korjenic, aged 29, has been at the hospital for eight months and can still scarcely believe what has happened. "This is a war of crazy people. Chetniks sent a lot of shells here, 30,000 shells. We have had so many

we are no longer afraid." He showed us the hospital work rooms. Half-finished tapestries, woven decorations and other needlework littered the deserted room, too cold to work in. Patients either were crowded into one of two huddled together rooms. small tables for warmth, or in bed curled under a blanket.

Before the war, this hospital was known throughout the former Yugoslavia as a model institution for people born

with a mental handicap. It had advanced programmes of tuition and social care and expert medical help on hand. Now, in contrast to most mental institutions which are filled with good-natured shouting and general noisiness, these inmates had been stunned into silent, uncomprehending despair. Their plight and their response to the war adds to the surreal atmosphere around eastern Bosnia, with desperate men begging us for cigarettes, shaving cream or

simply human attention. ☐ The Charities Aid Foundation will be responsible for all aspects of banking and dona-tion costs of 1st AID. Donations can be made by telephoning the credit card line, 0272-226688 (24 hours); cheque/postal order payable to 1st AID and sent to 1st AID Appeal, c/o CAF Freepost, TN 2257, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN2 5BR; or over the counter at any Bradford & Bingley Building Society or Midland

Army will force 600 officers to leave

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

SIX hundred army officers are to be made compulsorily redundant because there are not enough lieutenant-colonels and majors volunteering to leave under the government's programme of defence cuts.

The latest compulsory job losses for the army were released as the national unemployment figures rose to nearly three million.

Army manpower has to be reduced by 6,500 officers and men next year as part of the government's Options for Change defence cuts. However, although there are generous financial incentives for soldiers to leave the army and join the civilian world, only 688 of the target figure of 1.311 officers have

volunteered. The 47 per cent shortfall is in marked contrast to the first round of cuts when about 90 per cent of the officers reouired to leave were volunteers and fewer than 150 were in the end made compulsorily redundant.With widespread civilian redundancies, the latest figures for the army cutbacks highlight a growing reluctance among experienced officers to swap the security of a job in the services for an unknown life outside the

The target of 5,150 other ranks has been achieved without resorting to compulsory redundancy notices. The 623 officers who are to be selected for compulsory redundancy will be informed on February 25 next year. About 70 per cent will be majors and lieutenant-colonels, and the remainder full colonels and brigadiers. All will be given one year's notice. A lieutenantcolonel on a salary of £40,000 who has served 25 years will be entitled to a full pension of about £16,000 a year plus a £48,000 gratuity and a terminal bonus of £60,000 - a total

with someone called Father Emilian. "I took the third

voice ... Pater Emilian, oh

beg you." Mozart wrote.

you idiot, you lick my arse. I

clinical neurology at the Al-bert Einstein College of Medi-cine, also writing in the

journal, says Dr Simkin's research provides some evi-dence that Mozart had the

disease. He notes that some

sufferers can put its effects to

good creative use — one modern victim joined a band

as a drummer, winning ac-

claim for his "sudden and

wild" improvisations.

Oliver Sacks, professor of

Mozart may have had Tourette's syndrome

By NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY

CORRESPONDENT MOZARTS legendary foul mouth and eccentric behav-

condition, not the wayward nature of genius, according to research by a Californian physician. Benjamin Simkin, of the

Cedars-Sinai centre in Los Angeles, says analysis of Mozart's letters suggests the Austrian composer may have been suffering from Gilles de la Tourette syndrome, a genetic disease often characby hyperactivity. twitchy, impulsive movements and an almost uncontrollable love for vulgar words.

Samuel Johnson, the essayist noted for his ties and compulsive rituals, is also said to have had suffered from the syndrome, named after George Gilles de la Tourette



a 19th-century French neurologist.

Mozart's contemporaries noted his enthusiasm for such words as muck and piddle. but his swearing was previously attributed to the popularity of expletives Salzburg. Mozart's birthplace, and within his own family. A new analysis of Mozart and his family's pub-lished letters, however, casts doubt on this view, finding few examples of scatology in the letters of Mozart's father, sister and mother. Mozart. in contrast. made

reference to excrement, urination and other unsavoury subjects in nearly 40 of his 371 letters. In total, says Dr imkim, about 17 per cent of Mozart's correspondence bears the mark of Tourette's The research also links the

writing of such letters with important events in Mozart's indicating that the source of his genius might have been connected with the disease. For example, some of the

bizarre and vulgar writings appear during the summer and autumn of 1791, when Mozart was writing his last two big operas and his Requi-

Or Simkin, whose research is published in the British Medical Journal, backs up his claims with the accounts of witnesses and other documentary evidence. Family friends said Mo-

zart's body was "perpetually in motion ... he would play incessantly with his hands or tap restlessly on the floor with his feet". Sophie Haibel, his sister-in-

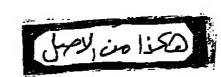
law, said: "Even when he was washing his hands in the morning, he walked up and down ... never standing still. At table be would often twist up a corner of a napkin and rub his upper lip with it, and he often made extraordinary grimaces with his mouth."
Others said he was ob-

sessed with such nonsense words as "organia figarafa", and between 1786 and 1790 frequently used the word "miaow"

In 1777 Joseph Lange, his brother-in-law, received a letter from the composer in which he described singing | yesterday.

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Sinn Fein commands around 10 per cent of the total vote in Northern Ireland, not 10 per cent of the republican/nationalist vote as reported



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Fitness teacher returns safe after 'sinister' disappearance

By Julia Llewellyn Smith

and we are still pursuing our

enquiries along the line that she was abducted." He said

she was so upset that it could

be days before she was able to

give an account of the 36 hours involved. The only witness we have is Joanna and

until we can speak to her and

give her time to unwind from

what was a very traumatic experience we can give no further details."

Miss Grenside was exam-

ined by a police doctor before

returning home to her family.
Yesterday afternoon she was being interviewed by two specially trained police consta-

Police used a helicopter, divers and tracker dogs in the search for Miss Grenside after

she failed to arrive for an

aerobics class she was due to teach. The alarm was raised

by her boy friend Dennis Davis, who is also a fitness

instructor at the centre, which

is two minutes drive from Miss Grenside's home. Her

locked Ford Escort was found parked 100 yards from the

centre with her rape alarm, issued by the Suzy Lamphugh

Trust, nearby.
When she arrived at the

centre yesterday, Miss Grenside was wearing the green sweatshirt and trousers

she had on when she went

Wendy Lloyd, the leisure

centre manager, said she did not appear to have eaten and was given some toast. "We are relieved but we are still in a

state of shock," she said. Keith

Parker, the operations manag-er, said: Thank God she is

alive. The whole of the staff is

elated to get her back."

Miss Grenside has lived with her mother Penny and

her two sisters since returning

from Australia a year ago. Her sister Emma, 27, said: "We

are of course very delighted,

and relieved that Joanna has

been found. We are all very

pher Grenside, 85, said: "I am delighted. We had all feared

shocked at the moment." Her grandfather, Christo-

POLICE were last night investigating the 36-hour disappearance of Joanna Gren-side, an aerobics instructor who was found safe but "very distressed" yesterday, Miss Grenside told police she was kidnapped by a man who kept her blindfolded in his home and never said a word throughout her ordeal.

The 25-year-old, who disappeared on Tuesday night in Harpenden. Hertfordshire, walked into the leisure centre.

walked into the leisure centre where she worked just before 7am yesterday. She had been left in a nearby park. Police said that she may have been

Her sister Lucy, 21, a physical education student at Loughborough University, said that Miss Grenside told police she was grabbed from behind, gagged and put in a car. "She was driven to a house and she thinks that it was probably outside Har-penden because of the time it



Joanna Grenside: captor never spoke

took to get there. But she really doesn't know much about the man because he never spoke for any of the time. It was sinister.

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"She has been through an awful ordeal. But it has also been an ordeal for her mother and for myself." But she added: "It is the best result we could have hoped for "-

Chief Inspector lan Whinnett, heading the inquiry, said: 'The young lady is in a very, very distressed state the worst. Titanic sale attacked

as grave robbing

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

RELICS salvaged from the wreck of the Titanic are being offered for sale by the French government to the few remaining survivors of the tragedy and to descendants of the victims. The move has provoked outrage in Britain.

Two hundred artifacts from a treasure trove of 900 items taken from the ship by French divers five years ago were released for sale yesterday by the marine ministry in Paris released for sale yesterday by
the marine ministry in Paris.
Victims' families, who will
have to establish proof of
ownership, will be given first
choice at undisclosed prices
which are understood to be up
to £2,000 an item.

The offer, which will be
available to relatives for three
months only could open a

months only, could open a series of legal battles over ownership. A huge number of personal claims for loss of property were met by insur-ance companies at the time.

Eva Hart. 87, a survivor of the disaster, said yesterday: "I am absolutely appalled. It was disgusting enough in the first place that these items were brought up. This is grave robbery and it is revolting. Only the French could do this." Miss Hart still vividly remembers waving goodbye to her father for the last time after she had been lowered into a lifeboar.

Millvina Dean, 80, was the youngest survivor of the disaster at eight weeks old. She said: "It is quite disgusting that the wreck has been rifled. It should have been allowed to rest in peace. Now they are selling off the spoils. How can they do this?"
The "unsinkable" White

Star liner hit an iceberg in mid-Atlantic on April 14.
1912, with the loss of about 1,500 lives on her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York.

The French embassy in London said that applicants should write to it or the Secretariat of State for the Sea in Paris, which has catalogues of the objects. It is understood that the intention is to help

Shipwreck survivors condemn French government's salvage offer



which is believed to have cost about £4 million.

The list of items makes sorrowful reading a pipe with sculpted bowl, four tiepins on velvet support with the initials RLB, a heart-slianed pendant with gerns, a leather case containing spectacles, a jar with cream, two Gillette razor blade boxes with blades, a shaving brush, a shoe brush, a natural toiletry sponge. A huge battle for salvage of

the ship followed its discovery in 1985. It is believed that only the French have brought



Eva Hart: "This is

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Boy, 8, is beaten 'for not joining shoplifters'

BY NICHOLAS WATT

A MOTHER said last night that she could barely recognise her eight-year-old son after he was allegedly beaten up, burnt with cigarettes and doused with petrol when he refused to shoplift with two youths. The boy was found in a gutter in Leeds on Wednesday night by

a stranger.

The boy's mother said yesterday: "I couldn't believe it when I saw him. He was black and blue all over and I could barely recognise him. He looked half dead."

She said that he was bruised down the side of his face, on his back and on the right side of his legs. His head looked deformed and was swollen on

one side.

The boy was allegedly abducted from the Crossgates shopping centre in Leeds on Wednesday night and taken to a shed where two youths poured petrol over him after torturing him. His mother said: "They

dragged him to a shed with a plastic bag over his head and then locked him in and just beat him all over his body. They threatened to set him on fire but they didn't, thank

"They then left him for dead and locked the door behind them but he managed to get out. A woman saw him on the side of the road and he was able to tell her where he lived. He was too weak to struggle

The eight-year-old, from the Swardiffe area of Leeds, was in a stable condition in hospital yesterday. His mother said: "When the bruises have gone the torment will remain. He is a very scared lad and he is frightened that they will come after him again. But once I get him home I am going to concentrate on giving him the best Christmas I can."

Detective Inspector Keith Lawrence, who is leading the enquiry, said: "The offence was of an extremely violent nature, particularly in respect of the age of the child involved."

Two 12-year-old youths ap-peared at the city's youth court yesterday and were remanded into the care of the local authority until Christmas eve caused of causing grievous bodily harm.

Drugs and alcohol taken openly, says report

Gangsters controlled no-go areas in top-security prison

GANGSTERS controlled parts of a top-security jail in which drug-taking and illegal drinking were widespread, according to a report published

today. Serious weaknesses were found in security at Long Lartin jail, Hereford and Worcester, which held 21 Category A prisoners, including IRA terrorists, a Libyan hitman and a Sicilian drugs baron. The report says that the jail, opened in 1971, is unsuit-

all opened in 1971, is trisili-able for high-risk prisoners.
Hard drugs were wide-spread, alcohol was being brewed and drunk in the jail and a minority of London criminals intimidated staff



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Christmas Guide to carol services and other prisoners, the report by Judge Turnim, the chief inspector of prisons, says. It was rumoured that pushers in the jail offered new inmates

During an inspection almost 12 months ago, Judge Tumim found that certain parts had become "no-go" areas for staff and that the balance of control had tilted in favour of the 410 prisoners. The regime, good order, organisation and morale of Long Lartin were in crisis."

Control over unlawful or unruly activity had been eroded to an alarming degree. White London gangsters were able to threaten the day-to-day maintenance of good order and, in one wing, they "per-mitted" only non-threatening ethnic minority prisoners, usu-ally Asians, to join them if they carried out menial tasks.

Some prisoners claimed that it was easier to get hard drugs inside Long Lartin than outside. While the inspection took place, an inmate had been found with a large quantity of heroin. The prison was suffering from an epidemic of hard drug-taking," the report says. "Incidents of discovery of large quantities of drugs were frequent, while stories of sub-stance abuse abounded."

months' suspended imprison-

ment, a two-year driving ban

Derek Probart, chairman of

and a fine of £500.

tence as a disgrace.

confidence of the prison staff had been so crippled that they avoided confrontation with inmates and that some officers were reluctant to patrol parts of living areas, effectively making them no-go areas at cer-tain times of day. The brewing and consumption of alcohol by prisoners had reached the level where it was accepted by

Officers told the inspectorate team that they often re-fused to confiscate alcohol. 'Home-made 'hooch' was sometimes consumed in front of the staff, yet prison rules expressly forbid prisoners to have any intoxicating liquor,"

the report says.

Vandalism was widespread,
inmates interfered with eletrical installations putting themselves and staff at risk - and the general standard of tidiness. cleanliness

and hygiene was poor. Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, said that Judge Tumim's recommendations on security were being tackled and that the full regime of activities for prisoners had been restored. All areas were now regularly patrolled by staff and intitiatives had been launched concerning drugs, alcohol and intimidation. HM Prison Long Lartin Judge Turnim says that the (Home Office; £1.50)

Shoppers defy the bombers

By Louise Hydalgo

SHOPPERS returned to London's West End in their thousands yesterday undamnted by the two bomb blasts that had nocked its centre the previous day.

A small queue of early-morning shoppers formed outside the John Lewis de-

partment store before it opened. Explosions in the store on Wednesday had left four people injured and Oxford Street shops deserted for the best part of the day.

"Lightning does not strike twice," was the pragmatic approach of most who had

braved the previous day's news. "It's probably the safest place in London to shop today." Danny Evans, a com-puter consultant from Clapham, south London, said.

Despite the busy shop floors, the events of the previous day had left their mark. A police car speeding along Oxford Street, its lights flash-ing, caused passers by to halt

Oxford Street stores are estimated to have lost more than £5 million in trade from Wednesday's events.

☐ A survey by Research Services has found that 76 per cent of Britons either do not worry about terrorism or do not let the threat of it affect their behaviour.

Judge 'too lenient' on drink-driver

By A Stapf Reporter

conviction for drink-driving, JUDGE at the Central was more than twice over the Criminal Court was accused yesterday of "giving a green light" to drink-driving over legal limit and was not insured. Judge Harman told Christmas. After telling Keith Edwards, 31, of Streatham, him: "This is one of the worst cases of dangerous driving I southeast London, that he had driven "like a lunatic", the have had. It is miraculous that you did not leave carnage Recorder, Robert Harman behind you." QC, sentenced him to three

The court was told that after an all-day drinking session, Edwards had become involved in a high-speed chase with the police, during which he raced through seven sets of the Campaign against Drink Driving, described the senred traffic lights, crashed into three police cars and a taxi, and drove the wrong way

round a busy roundabout. Judge Harman conceded that there were those who would say he had been too lenient. But he said that the defendant had committed the offences in "a moment of aberration".

A chartered accountant who knocked down and killed a scientist as he cycled home from work faces a jail sen-tence. William Bates, 52, of Brackley, Northamptonshire, was convicted at Luton Crown Court of causing death by reckless driving, after the jury heard he had been drinking.





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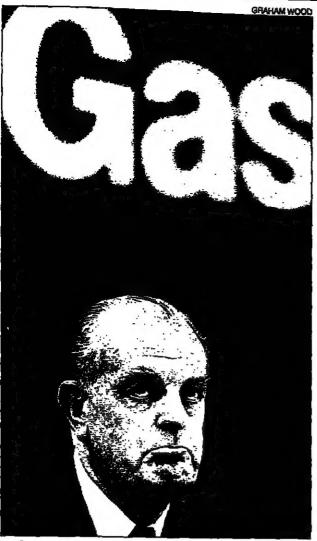
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City approval for more competition reflects analysts' views that long-term profits may rise



Gas mark one: Sir Denis Rooke, former chairman

What Sid was not told about the British Gas monopoly

BRITISH Gas shares perked up 5p to 275p when City dealers began trading yester-day. To Sid, the character used to advertise their launch, and bought shares hand over fist when British Gas was privatised in 1986, the City's reaction to the possible end of

perverse.
Sir James McKinnon, official regulator for the industry, is trying to force British Gas to separate its network of pipe-lines and distribution facilities from the rest of the business. He hopes this will encourage rivals to challenge the giant British Gas in its own back

Sid's reaction to the breakup threat is likely to be concern, if not outright panic. He was promised at self-off time that the structure of the industry was not about to change. Now a row has begun over the future shape of the industry and Sir James is actively encouraging others to compete for what was not so many months ago a safe, riskfree monopoly business.

The City's reaction, though, is nothing like so perverse as it indicates that, so far, the City

Yesterday's share rise indicates the City believes that ending the pipeline monopoly could benefit consumer and investor

sides with Sir James and

believes a break-up of the

British Gas pipeline monopo-

ly could lead to lower prices for

the consumer and in time even

better profits for gas investors.

not an isolated case. Relations

between former state-owned companies and their post pri-

vatisation regulators have been growing ever more strained in recent years.

There is a familiar pattern in the privatised utilities like

gas, water and, to a lesser extent, electricity. While the

watchdog is always mentioned

in the prospectus small print at the time of flotation, he takes

on the protective colouring of a

on the protective coloring of a poodle in the early days of his existence. Only much later does the watchdog emerge with bared teeth, his bite every

bit as nasty as his bark. Sid may feel conned. But there are

The row over British Gas is

may seem. Industry analysis professional investors have been closely tracking a simmering row between Ofgas and the board of British Gas. The dispute over splitting the business finally burst into the open when Sir Robert Evans, British Gas chairman, became tired of Ofgas pressures for change. He called for an investigation of the issues but the Managodies and Managodies. by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission which is now in progress. Sir James's call yesterday for a break-up is part

MMC. The former chairman, Sir Denis Rooke, was nothing short of passionate in his insistence that British Gas should remain a fully integrated company that discovered its own gas, distributed it through its own pipepine and sold cookers through its own showrooms.

of his submission to the

other possible explanations. Yesterday's share price rise Since 1980 privatisation has raised in excess of £35

ments. Consultant spin-doctors devised the now familiar array of perks, easy payments and quick fire gains to entice new shareholders into the market and make them part of Mrs Thatcher's cherished property-owning democracy. The risks of share ownership and the usual advice to first time investors to buy a spread of managed holdings in investment trusts or unit trusts

was conveniently forgotten. It is common ground among investment profession-als that utilities were privatised with far 100 little thought about future competition in the interests of an easy share sale. Too often state owned monoplies such as BT merely became private sector monopolies. Flawed structures imposed in several privatisations meant that a tough regulator would eventually have to work overtime in order to put matters to rights and conflict between regulators and companies can be expect to grow as both profits and prices are

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Gas mark two: Robert Evans, now in the hot seat

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Slim chance for small shareholders to sue

BY FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

HOWEVER aggrieved Sid might be over the break-up of British Gas, he will face a hard task if wants to try to sue the company, City lawyers agreed

yesterday. Gareth Jones, a partner with the energy group at Nabarro Nathanson, the law firm advising British Coal on its privatisation, said he did not see how shareholders would have a right of action if British Gas acted in compliance with the directions of the

Board of Trade "I have not seen the British Gas prospectus. But if the Monopolies and Mergers Commission recommends the de-merger of British Gas's supply from its transportation business, and those recom-mendations are put into effect by the president of the board of trade, then clearly British Gas has to comply."

It would be expected to do so in a manner reflecting the interests of shareholders, he added. "It is then hard to see how there would be any right to compensation by a shareholder who was against the

merger."
The prospectus was a legal document that represented the position of the company at the time of publication and in general could not be held to apply at some future date, he said. "Its effect diminishes as time goes on."

Lawyers conceded that in the case of British Gas, however, the fact that the prospectus contained an undertaking about the future integrity of the company might give rise to claims, although such a proto be set against its small print and any disclaimers about future action by the regulator.

Driver walks away from mountain fall

CALVE MERE STEED Five charged with

attempted murder

Five people were remanded in custody charged with the kidnap and attempted murder of Suzanne Capper, the 16year-old girl critically ill in hospital with burns injuries after being found naked on a suburban road in Stockport on Monday morning Those charged were Glynn Powell, 28. Jeffrey Leigh, 26, Bernadette McNeilly, 23, and Jeanne Powell, 25, all from Moston, Manchester. No applications for bail were made. Two boys aged 16 and 17 appeared on the same charges but cannot be named. They were also remanded in custody. Miss Capper, who is also from Moston, is on a life-support machine in Manchester's Withington Hospital.

Maguire trial libel

Paul Purnell QC, a lawyer in the discredited trial of the Maguire family, won undisclosed libel damages at the High Court against Andreas Whittam Smith, the editor of The Independent, for an article suggesting he deliberately kept back evidence to win his case. He was one of several prosecution counsel in the trial of the Maguire Seven. whose convictions for terrorist offences were quashed by the Court of Appeal last year. Mr Whittam Smith wrote an article last June entitled "Why lawyers suppress the truth".

Prisoners on the run

Four prisoners were on the run yesterday after breaking out of a coach taking them to a young offenders' institution. About 20 youths being taken to the institution in Shropshire turned on prison officers while the coach was parked beside the A53 near Newcastle under Lyme. Staffordshire. Five guards were treated for minor injuries.

Street-Porter award

Janet Street-Porter, head of BBC youth and entertainment features, is to receive "substantial" undisclosed libel damages over suggestions in London's Evening Standard that she was being demoted. The publishers Associated Newspapers and a journalist, Caroline Phillips, apologised and agreed to pay legal costs as well as the damages.

Train crash blame

A train crash in which four people died near Glasgow in July last year was probably caused by one of the trains passing a signal showing red, a Health and Safety

Executive enquiry report said. ☐ BR has launched a £2.25 million video campaign to warn children of the danger of trespassing on railway lines.

Driftnets phased out

Measures to phase out driftnet fishing for salmon and sea trout off northeast England will begin next month. The government has told the National Rivers Authority to reduce the number of driftnet licences by not issuing new ones as holders retire. The Salmon and Trout Association said the action was hopelessly inadequate.

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Tills will ring this Sunday despite EC

MORE money is likely to pass through the nation's tills this Sunday than on any sabbath in Britain's history, despite this week's ruling by the European Court of Justice that Sunday trading rules do not conflict with the Treaty of

The ruling that the Shops Act banning most Sunday trade does not contravene European Community rules will not stop many stores flouting the law which has gone unpreferred and ingone unreformed, and in-creasingly little observed, since

Local councils still have time to seek injunctions preventing stores opening for the last Sunday before Christmas, but few are expected to do so.

Only a handful of local councils are expected take legal action against shops opening on Sunday, despite an assurance from Sir Nicholas Lyell, the attorney-general, in a Commons reply that councils could continue to prosecute. Most will wait for a House of Lords ruling on the law in the New Year, or the change in the law promised shortly by the home secretary.

All cases brought to magis-trates courts throughout the country since test cases were referred to Luxembourg had

referred to Luxembourg had been adjourned until the out-come of the hearing. Norwich City Council, which has 197 prosecutions outstanding against 47 com-panies, among them Habitat, Sainsbury, Woolworth, BhS, Comet, Dixons and Our Price, has said it intends to be the first to getting to the courts to first to return to the courts to enforce the act. The council says those who trade this Sunday will be prosecuted.

Stoke-on-Trent City Coun-cil, which with Norwich brought the cases referred to the European court, said it retained its stance on enforcing the law, but would wait until the Lords' ruling before taking further action.

Paul Hodgson, the city sec-retary, said the ruling, after a decade of pursuing those who broke the law, was a "complete vindication" of the council's policy. "We have a very clear ruling from Europe. Our view is that the Lords will now rule wholly and conclusively in our

B&Q, one of six retailers

involved in three separate cases referred to Luxembourg. is under an injunction not to open at Stoke, but said it would continue to open 280 other stores on Sundays, at

least until the Lords ruled. Bill Melly, chairman of the Oxford Street Traders Association, said shops which wanted to open would contin-ue to do so and he doubted whether local authorities would take action since the law was to be replaced.

The Luxembourg ruling clears the way for the govern-

ment to reform the Shops Act. which Kenneth Clarke said three weeks ago was "in abeyance". The home secre-tary has told MPs they will have a free vote on three options. The first would remove all restrictions bringing England and Wales in line with Scotland, the second would allow small shops to open but place certain curbs on larger ones, and the third would ban most trading while allowing local authorities discretion on who could open.

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Community spirit: Anna MacDonald, 11, of Bolsover School in Derbyshire joins 1,500 children from schools close to the 31 threatened coal pits in a carol service at Westminster Abbey yesterday organised by the Bishop of Wakefield

Extra vitamins in pregnancy cut risk of handicap

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

ALL pregnant women and those hoping to conceive should take a vitamin supple-ment containing folic acid to reduce the risk of their baby being born handicapped, the government's chief medical officer, Dr Kenneth Calman,

said yesterday.

The vitamin supplement, which should be taken until the twelfth week of pregnancy. would help to reduce the number of babies born with spina bifida (a defect in the spinal cord) or similar conditions, Dr Calman said. About 200 believes here with the 200 babies are born with the

200 babies are born with the defect each year.

All women of child-bearing age have been advised to increase their intake of folic acid by eating foods rich in the vitamin, such as Brussels sprouts, spinach, green beans and oranges, in case they become pregnant.

The advice, from a sovern-

The advice, from a govern-ment expert group, follows a trial last year which showed that giving folic acid supple-ments to pregnant women who had already had a child with spina bifida reduced their risk of another with the same defect by 70 per cent. In guidance issued last year, the health department said that these women should be of-fered folic acid supplements on prescription, in amounts of four milligrams daily, or 5mg where this was not available.

The new guidance seeks to extend protection to all

women planning a pregnancy, but recommends a lower dose of 0.4 milligrams a day. Professor Dame June Lloyd, who chaired the expert group. said that folic acid was a safe, natural vitamin but, in high doses, could cause problems in rare cases. The higher dose was needed in women who had already had an affected baby because they were at ten

times greater risk.

Dr Calman said that folic acid supplements of 0.4 milligrams could be hard to find in shops, but women could choose a multivitamin prepa-ration with about the same ration with about the same level of folic acid instead. Professor Lloyd said that the aim was to raise the folic acid content of the average diet from 0.2mg to 0.6mg.

Londoners are healthier and longer-live than people in many other cities because

in many other cities because their mothers grew up in rural areas, Professor David Barker and colleagues from the University of Southampton argue in this week's issue of the British Medical Journal Olicel House arcited

(Nigel Hawkes writes).

Dr Barker's earlier studies have shown that longevity is strongly linked to good nutrition among mothers and infants. Many of today's elderly Londoners were born to mothers who were healthy and wellfed, either because they came from country areas or because they worked as domestic

Mackay

rejects

Bar's

freeze

By Frances GIBB

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

Arts grants favour resident

By Alison Roberts

THE Arts Council's annual allocation of grants to artistic organisations, announced yesterday, will widen the divisions between London's four main orchestras and squeeze many arts companies that are now faced with cuts in

budgets.
The London Philharmonic is awarded a 6.3 per cent increase in its annual grant, marking the start of its resi-Centre and bringing its bud-get into line with that of the London Symphony Orchestra, resident at the Barbican. Both organisations are now awarded almost £1.3 million for 1993-4, a significantly higher amount than that given to the other two major London-

The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra has not received an increase in grant for the second year running, while the Philharmonia receives an increase of only 1.6 per cent. Anthony Everitt, secretary general of the Arts Council, said that while the RPO and the Philharmonia had a future role, the council's

based orchestras.

"long-term strategy is to focus on the development of the The Royal Opera House receives a slender increase of 2.5 per cent, reflecting the Arts Council's own 2 per cent budget increase, and will do nothing to pull the ROH out of present financial difficulty. Covent Garden is now operat-

ing with a budget deficit of £5

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ARTS REPORTER

THE Lord Chancellor delivered a clear if polite snub yesterday to the unprecedent-ed offer by the Law Society and the Bar to accept a freeze in legal aid pay rates if he will look at substitute proposals on

curbing legal aid.

Lord Mackay said he had considered the Law Society's claim for a 7.3 per cent rise in rates from April, but "had already arrived at the view that

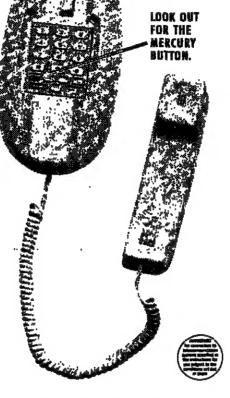
appropriate". He also took the Law Society to task over its claim that his proposals to cut legal aid costs. which the society says will take 10m people out of legal aid. would "tear the heart out of the legal aid system".

This year, the net cost of legal aid would be some £1.1 billion, Lord Mackey said. In the next three years the overall cost was forecast to rise by 10 per cent on average, and the number of people helped would rise by more than 20 per cent. Half the households in England and Wales would still qualify for legal aid."I must say that I find it difficult to accept that these are indica-tions of a dying scheme," Lord Mackay said.

On Tuesday, Mark Shel-don, the president of the Law Society, and Lord Williams of Mostyn QC, the chairman of the Bar, called on Lord Mackay to consider substitute proposals to save £43 million the amount the Government's proposals will save. Mr Sheldon told Lord Mackay that eligibility cuts were the worst possible way of making savings on legal aid".

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I AM delighted to be able to bring you another instalment from the Christmas round-robin sent to me by my old American friends Al and Sally du Lally. They tell of Granny du Lally's mar-vellous progress during the past year.
"It has been another

super year for Granny du Lally (or "Napoleon" as she now insists on being known, bless her!!). Now 92 years young, she scored high marks on all her examinations first time round! As a result, she has gained life membership of the Sunset (High Security) Wing in our beautiful local senior citizens' rest home. Congratulations!

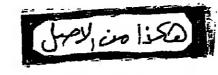
"We're delighted to say that Granny has not allowed her upgrading to

affect her life style! She still insists on keeping in touch with folk from other lands, each morning boasting of having renewed her acquaintance with the Scotch and the French and often both at the same

"With her usual consideration for other folk, she often worries that her fellow residents are not warm enough, taking a match to their beds if she feels they are the slightest bit chilly. Ever the poet, she continues to write a lot, particularly to the principal of the rest home, whom she play-fully refers to as the Fuhrer. As you can imagine, he thinks her quite a characteri

"Granny's sense of hum-our remains as strong as ever. She delights in teas-ing the local shopkeepers by hiding their products in the inner pocket of her coat and racing off! Needless to say, they have a magnetic response to her, or at least their security alarms do! Cheers, yall, from Al and

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First official league table in higher education reveals that research has improved

Universities give top researchers cash priority



Davies: selectivity

BY JOHN O'LEARY **EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT**

UNIVERSITIES have improved their research in the past three years by concentrating their resources on the best teams of academics, according to the first official assessment of quality throughout the new higher education sector.

The research output of 43,000 academics was ranked for the Universities Funding Council, which will use the information to determine the allocation of more than £650 million. Departments stand to lose their entire research budgets if they appear at the bottom of a five-point scale.

Many of the new universities chose not to submit some departments for assessment, automatically ruling them out of public funding for research. The University of Central England, in Birmingham,

and contract research.

Even the traditional universities did not submit all their academics' work. As a result, the rankings identify the best centres of research in each subject, but do not measure the overall quality of work in each university. The exercise took no account of teaching strengths.

Professor Graeme Davies, the

chairman of the funding council, said that a more selective approach to research within universities had raised standards. "There is some evidence that the research activity in some departments has been reduced and they have become more predominantly active in teaching, but in a very heterogeneous sector such as we have now, institutions will adopt very different strategies." More than 450 leading research-

ers, industrialists and civil servants

did not enter the exercise because it rated work in 72 subjects. Publica-intends to concentrate on teaching tions, private research grants and even a statue and a compact disc were used to judge quality.

Traditional universities were as-

sessed in 1986 and 1989, but this was the first time that colleges of higher education and the former polytechnics were invited to enter. Few of the newcomers have received significant funding for research, and the gulf was reflected in the ratings. Only Westminster University's five researchers in communication and media studies achieved a top rating: most of the new universities' entries were concentrated in the lower grades.

Vice-chancellors welcomed the exercise, however, as evidence that the traditional universities had improved by an average of half a point out of five since the last assessment, while some new universities had developed excellent research on little funding. David Harrison, the vice-chancellors' chairman, said: "To have achieved this increase in research performance against a background of massive expansion in student numbers is a remarkable tribute to our dedicated and serious-

ly underpaid staff." The assessment processs has been widely criticised by academics, many of whom believe that quantity of work was more important than quality in achieving high ratings. Professor Davies said yesterday he expected the rankings to be criticised on a number of counts, but he had "every confidence in the integrity of the exercise".

The vice-chancellors tried to have the assessments postponed to meet objections from the new universities that their differing missions would not be taken into account. A submission to the funding council said that the system which formed the basis of the evaluation was "not suitable for use in assessing quality". Oxford's faculties board said it

was "extremely concerned" about the haste of the exercise and Christ Church declared itself "distressed" by a number of aspects of the system. Christopher Haigh, the senior censor, told the conference of colleges last month: "Christ Church suggests that the narrow focus of the ssment exercise will yield misleading conclusions. It is right that the performance of institutions should be monitored, but it must be stressed that institutions work within financial and social contexts set by others."

The Association of University Teachers hailed the assessment exercise as a "celebration" of achievement, with ratings improving since 1989 despite a real fall in research funding. John Akker, the acting general secretary, said: "The

in the UK, as shown by these ratings, should be a shining beacon to the government to give real support to research, and to cease their parsimonious 'rob Peter to pay Paul' policies."

Some universities were delighted by their improvement in the ratings. Bradford and Brunel both improved their average score signifi-cantly since having their research funding reduced after 1989's

David Triesman, the negotiating secretary of Narfhe, the union for lecturers in the new universities and colleges of higher education, was named yesterday as the next general secretary of the AUT. The two unions are to form a confederation if Natifie agrees to a plan approved by the AUT's annual conference.

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Theories of a mad professor challenge the world's wisdom

By IAN MURRAY

KEITH Clayton is a "mad professor" who says that sea defences are worse than useless and that the North Sea could well be the best

place for sewage.
The dean of the University
of East Anglia's school of environmental studies also believes you could do a lor worse than leave nuclear submarines on the sea bed for the moving earth's crust

to swallow up.
Professor Clayton's researches suggest Britain's sea defences are worse than useless. I am the mad professor who wants to allow England to erode," he says. "My view is that the sea must be allowed to domi-

nate. That is beginning to be accepted now but even 20 years ago that was far too radical an idea."

Twenty years ago he began studying the pattern of erosion and deposit along the Norfolk coast for the environment department. Over the years he has carefully built up what he calls a "sediment budget" to prove his case and help explode "the 19th century myth that man can control the

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The sediment budget shows that it is hugely important to allow cliffs to erode. Without erosion, he has found, there would be no beaches, no dunes and no sandbanks to protect other parts of the coast from erosion and flooding. The project also showed that high beaches made of sand swept along by the waves are far more effective in preventing erosion than the traditional solutions of sea walls and groynes - now the "mad professor's" ideas have now been adopted by the

National Rivers Authority. Pioneering work such as the erosion research has helped win and keep the school its grade 5 status and

Success in research attracts the money that allows original minds to prove their ideas both true and useful

the government and private money that follows from it. Because the school is preeminent in its field, it not only receives £2.5 million in government grants but it wins private contracts and sponsorship worth another 54 million. Losing grade 5 recognition would probably have slashed an initial £500,000 from available funds, dragged down the value of the work and made it increasingly difficult to stay in the forefront of research. But people who turn to the school for advice do not always get the expected

"green" answers. There is a lot of pressure against putting sewage into the North Sea, but that is the best place to put it. You can do far worse than putting it into a deep and well-flushed sea. As far as poisoning the fish is concerned, that's rubbish. The sewage has probably kept the poor fish alive,"

said the dean. He even argues that the bottom of the deepest oceans is the best place to dispose of unwanted nuclear submarines. Eventually, as the earth's plates slid back and forth, the submarines would be dragged back into the centre of the earth. They would be far safer there than tied up at some dockyard."

His worry is that politi-cians lack the necessary long-term perspectives to make the right decisions. "Global change works on a time scale of 50 years and against that the four-year period between elections is not very relevant."



Centre of excellence: Sarah Houlton, a PhD student at Imperial College, London, one of the country's top centres for scientific research

New arrival proves its worth | Science funding slips

By John O'Leary, education correspondent

WORK by five academics yesterday enabled the new University of Westminster to break the traditional universities' stranglehold on the top research ratings.

Out of 172 institutions asessed in a total of 72 subjects, Westminster's Centre Communication and Information Studies (CCIS) was the only representative of the new universities. The unit has five

members and specialises in the political economy and history of the media, and on communications and infor-

mation policy. The university, formerly the Polytechnic of Central London, has a base in Regent Street. The unit's current projects are concerned with public service broadcasting in the UK and France, media in Eastern Europe, copyright and the social history of British broadcasting. The centre, established in 1986, has received research council grants and contracts from the British Library and the European

Meanwhile Portsmouth University claimed it headed all the former polytechnics in the assessment exercise, with 24 of its 35 assessed departments graded 2 or better.

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

BRITAIN has slipped to seventh place in the international league in spending on scientific research and development, according to a report vesterday by the Office of Science and Technology.

In gross spending as a proportion of GNP, Britain has fallen from third in the table in 1981 to seventh in 1990 after Japan, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, the US and France. Britain is also seventh in business spending on research and development, from being fourth. In spending in government establish-ments, it has dropped from

second place to eleventh. However, the OST said that gross spending on re-search and development in Britain remained about the average for G7 industrialised

Clinical laboratory sciences: Cambridge (pathology): Royal Postgrad-uate Medical School, London; University College London. Community based clinical subjects:

Cambridge: Institute of Psychiatry. London: London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Man-

Hospital-based clinical subjects: Cambridge, National Heart and Lung Institute. London; Institute of Ophthalmology, London: Royal Postgraduate Medical School, London: University College London; Oxford; Edinburgh. Clinical dentistry: London Hospital

Medical College: United Medical and Dental Schools. Pre-clinical studies: Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine. London; St George's Hospital Medical School, London. (No departments scored maximum points.) Anatomy: Birmingham: Cam-

bridge; University College London; Oxford. Physiology: Bristol; Liverpool;

Oxford Pharmacology: Liverpool; University College London; Oxford. Pharmacy: Bath: School of Pharmacy, London; Nottingham. Nursing: King's College, London: Manchester, Surrey. (No departments scored maximum points) Studies allied to medicine: University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology: Southampton: Surrey (toxicology);

Biochemistry: Cambridge: Oxford; Dundee: Glasgow. Psychology: Birmingham; Cam-

bridge: University College London: Nottingham; Oxford; Sheffield; York; St Andrews; Wales (Cardiff). Biological sciences: Cambridge (zoology); Birkbeck College, London (crystallography); Imperial College. London: University College London: Oxford (zoology); Sussex: Warwick, Edinburgh.

Genetics: Cambridge: Leicester: Nottingham. Microbiology: Leicester: Reading: Surrey: Aberdeen. (No departments scored maximum points)

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Nottingham. Veterinary science: Glasgow. Chemistry: Cambridge: Durham; Imperial College, London; Nottingham; Oxford; Southampton; Sus-

Physics: Bristol; Cambridge; Durham; Leicester; Liverpool; Imperial College, London; Nottingham: Oxford; Warwick; Queen's, Belfast; Heriot-Watt.

Earth sciences: Bristol; Cambridge; Leeds; Liverpool; Manchester; Newcastle; Oxford; Edinburgh. Environmental studies: East Anglia; Lancaster, Reading; Southampton.

Pure mathematics: Cambridge: Liverpool; Queen Mary and Westfield College, London: Oxford; Warwick. Applied mathematics: Cambridge: Durham; Leeds: Imperial College.

London: University College London: Manchester, Si Andrews; Wales (Aberystwyth). Statistics and operational research: Bath; Cambridge; Lancaster;

Queen Mary and Westfield College, London; Oxford; Warwick: Glasgow.

Imperial College, London; Manchester; Newcastle; Oxford; Sussex; Warwick; York; Edinburgh; Glasgow. General engineering: Cambridge; Durham: Keele: Imperial College,

London; Oxford; Warwick; Strath-Chemical engineering: Cambridge; Imperial College, London: Univer-

sity College London; UMIST. Civil engineering: Bradford; Bristol: Imperial College, London; University College London (photogrammetry): Newcastle (civil engineering): Nottingham: Heriot-Watt; Wales (Cardiff): Wales (Swansea).

Electrical and electronic engineering: Imperial College, London; University College London: UMIST (instrumentation and analytical science): Southamptone Surrey: Queen's, Belfast:

Mechanical: acronautical and manufacturing engineering: Bradford; Hull: Leeds. Liverpool; Imperial College, London; UMIST Sheffield: Southampton (sound and vibration). Mineral and mining engineering: Imperial College, London.

Metallurgy and materials: Birmingham; Cambridge; Imperial College, London: UMIST (corrosion science); Oxford. Built environment: Leeds; University College London; Reading; Sal-ford; Strathclyde; Wales (Cardiff).

A SERVING UNIVERSITIES IN UNITED ADVISOR HUDGED SUBJECT BY SUBJECT Town and country planning: Sheffield; Glasgow; Wales (Cardiff). Geography: Bristol: Cambridge: Durham: University College London; Oxford; Edinburgh.

Law: Cambridge; King's College London; London School of Economics: University College London; Oxford: Edinburgh. Anthropology: Cambridge; London School of Economics; School of African and Oriental Studies, London; University College

London; Manchester, Oxford. Economic and social history: Leicester, London School of Economics: Edinburgh. Economics and econometrics: Bristol; Cambridge: Essex; Birkbeck College, London: London School of

Economics; University College London: Oxford; Southampton; Warwick: York. Politics and international studies: Essex; Hull: King's College London; London School of Economics; Manchester; Sussex (sci-

ence policy); Glasgow; Strathclyde. Social policy and administration: Bath; Cambridge, Kent: London School of Economics, York. Social work: East Anglia: Stirling. Sociology: Cambridge: Essex: Lancaster, Loughborough; Warwick: Edinburgh.

Business and management:

Bradford; Lancaster; London Business School; London School of Economics (information systems): UMIST: Warwick: Strathclyde. Accountancy: London School of Economics: Manchester. American studies: Keele: Nottingham.

Middle Eastern and African studies: Birmingham: Cambridge. East and South Asian studies: Cambridge; Oxford.

English language and literature: Cambridge; Leeds; University College London; Oxford; Sussex; Edinburgh; Wales (Cardiff). European studies: Birmingham;

Celtic studies: Cambridge: Oxford. French: Cambridge: Exeter, Birkbeck College London.

German and related languages: Birmingham: Cambridge: King's College London: University College London (Dutch); Institute of Germanic Studies, London; Manchester, Nottingham; Oxford. Italian: Cambridge: Royal

Holloway and Bedford New College. London; University College London: Oxford; Reading. Russian: Queen Mary and Westfield College. London: School of Slavonic and East European Studies, London.

Spanish: Birmingham; Cambridge; King's College London (Portuguese); Queen Mary and Westfield College, London. Linguistics: Cambridge: Essex;

Lancaster, School of Oriental and African Studies, London: University College London. Classics and ancient history: Bris-

tol: Cambridge; King's College London: University College London: Institute of Classical Studies. London; Oxford; St Andrews. Archaeology: Cambridge: University College London; Oxford; Reading: Sheffield; Southampton. Birkbeck College, London; King's College London; London School of Economics.

History of art, architecture and design: Cambridge: East Anglia; School of Oriental and African Studies, London; University College London; Courtauld Institute of Art, London; Sussex; Warwick.

Library and information manage ment: City; Sheffield.

Philosophy: Cambridge: Birkbeck College, London; King's College London; London School of Economics; Oxford. Theology, divinity and religious

studies: Birmingham; Cambridge; Durham; Lancaster; Leeds; King's College London; Oxford; Sheffield. Art and design: Brunel: Gold-

smiths' College, London; Open University, Reading (typography and graphic communication). Communication and media studies: Goldsmiths' College, London; Warwick: Westminster: Stirling.

Drama, dance and performing arts: Exeter. Hull: Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, London; Manchester; Glasgow.

Music: Cambridge; King's College London; Nottingham. Education: Bath: Birmingham; Ex-

eter; Lancaster: Leeds; London Institute of Education: King's College London: Manchester, Newcastle: Open University (educational technology): Sheffield; Edinburgh.

Physical education and History: Birmingham; Cambridge: science: Loughborough.

TOP RESEARCH

The scores represent an average of the universities' ratings on a five-point scale. Units rated as 5, which may be less than a whole department. have at least some research of

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Smith launches study of welfare society

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Smith, the Labour leader, yesterday declared his personal support for universal benefits as he launched a radical review of the welfare

Announcing the most sweeping study into Britain's be free to look at all issues. I social condition since the Beveridge report 50 years ago, Mr Smith said a radical and comprehensive approach was needed to address "deepening poverty, growing homelessunemployment".

The commission on social ustice, chaired by Sir Gordon Borrie, will look at the case for benefits and examine options such as integrating tax and benefits or a hypothecated welfare tax. Its report is expected to provide the cornerstone for Labour policy at the next

Mr Smith appeared to pre-empt the commission's work by making clear his personal preference for retaining uni-versal benefits. "I believe there is a very strong case for having child benefit and retirement pensions as universal bene-

fits," he said. When challenged that his remarks would tie the commission's hands, he said he was usually criticised for not taking a lead. "As soon as I take a lead I am accused of inflicting my views on someone." Mr Smith insisted that he was not closing off any options. "The commission will

■ The social justice commission is expected to be the cornerstone for Labour policy at the next general election

gave my personal view and I don't think they will be inhibited in the slightest."

Labour officials argued later that Mr Smith was wary of signalling any policy shift. They insisted that he would listen to what the commission had to say, but pointed out that if he had said anything else he would been accused of

favouring means testing.

Mr Smith indicated later that he would expect Sir Gordon to look at mortgage tax relief. It should be "looked at with some care in the context of not just the housing and social policy but taxation policy, because there is a big taxation element there".

The Labour leader emphasised that the commission would be independent of the party and he would be under no obligation to adopt any of its recommendations when it reports in the summer of 1994. The commission had not been set up to make party policy. "We have our own democratic process in place for that purpose." He hoped the commission would take account of Labour's support for full employment and its policy for a mininum wage. "People

want a chance to achieve," Mr Smith said. "We should no longer be thinking in terms of a safety net, but of creating a springboard to independence, self-reliance and personal

fulfilment' Sir Gordon said Britain was now radically different from the 1940s, when Beveridge reported. "We will not repackage the Beveridge model: we will rethink it. We want to chart a course of social and economic reform that will make Britain fairer."

Sir Gordon said the commission's work would be dominated by two themes: interdependency and individual opportunity. "I want to see a tax system that rewards work, training opportunities that encourage personal develop-ment, childcare that opens up new opportunities for women, and flexible working patterns which can provide new pathways out of poverty."

The commission planned to report in 18 months, he said. but seminars and conferences would be held during that period to discuss the key issues. In addition, Sir Gordon planned to publish "pro-vocative and challenging" discussion papers or green

Rethinking the social benefits of Beveridge

he commission on social 1. justice, formally launched yesterday by John Smith, is not just an attempt by Labour to break the political logiam on taxation and social security. The creation of the commission underlines how British polities still has not fully come to terms with the end of the Thatcher era.

Professor Ivor Crewe re-marked during the heyday of Thatcherism that, while Keynes may be dead, Bever-

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idge lives on Now, however, the Keynesian body is still showing some life, while the legacy of Beveridge is creaking noisily. The welfare state may have

been shaken up during the 1980s, but the basic tenets of the 50-year-old Beveridge re-port remained largely intact in terms of the provision of universal benefits and a taxpayer-financed health service. Government reviews of social security altered the structure of discretionary benefits but not the core ones, such as retirement pensions. Nigel Lawson managed to freeze child benefit in money terms, but the Major government re-started uprating the benefit each year.

The Tories are now as



The state of welfare: 50 years on, Sir Gordon Borrie works in the shadow of the Beveridge report

last election manifesto promised to raise child benefit and the basic pension in line with prices. Despite pressures to hold down public spending the cabinet decided that other benefits also had to be raised in line with inflation. Labour has remained committed to universal benefits, as Mr Smith yesterday said was still

Even excluding the costs of counts for more than a quarter of the total. Together with commitments to raise standards of health provision and education, that puts pressure on taxes. Both parties believe

it is politically impossible to raise income tax.

Underlying these con-straints is what Professor J. K. Galbraith has called the "culture of contentment", the reluctance of the well-off majority to pay higher taxes to help the poor suinority. Whereas, a century ago, a much-debated topic in British politics was the "tryanny of the majority", whereby the least well-off would punish the minority of the better-off through confiscatory taxes and socialism. Now the "tyranny of the majority" may

mean the opposite. Moreover, a large propor-tion of child benefit goes to

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the already well-off, while only a minority of the elderly now rely on the basic state pension and a majority have income from savings and occupation-

Just as the Tories have been questioning the traditional structure of public services, so it is now time to question the welfare state. In contrast with the days of Beveridge, there are a growing number of women in the workforce, long-term unemployment is higher, and a growing divide exists between better-off and poor pensioners. Similar changes have led to a reappraisal of American social policy by Bill Clinton. He emphasises

workfare rather than automatic universal benefits. Sir Gordon Borrie, the new commission's chairman, was open-minded yesterday about the scope of the enquiry. It will look beyond social security and tax to employment, education, training housing and childcare. Sir Gordon and his team will have to demonstrate their radical credentials. If they do, and challenge conventional thinking about the welfare state, then they may also free the Major government from the constraints it faces on tax and

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Tories excluded from social justice panel

commission on social justice come from the centre and centre-left of the social policy field. Two Liberal Democrats have joined the team, but no Tories. There was little point in making it more difficult to reach agreement. Sir Gordon Borrie, the chairman, said.

The commission, which starts work next month and expects to report in the summer of 1994, includes: Sir Gordon Borrie director general of the Office of Fair Trading 1976-1992. He has twice contested parliamentary

seats for Labour, but is seen as an independent chairman. Tony Afkinson: professor of political economy at Cambridge University and a member of the pensions law review

Patricia Hewitt deputy direc-tor. Institute for Public Policy Research, and former press secretary to Neil Kinnock. Roth Lister: director of the Child Poverty Action Group between 1979 and 1987, now professor of applied social studies at Bradford University. Steven Webb: a Liberal Dem-

THE 16 members of the ocrat, and economist at the Institute for Fiscal Studies. A former specialist adviser to the Commons social security committee.

Bernard Williams: White's 42 professor of moral philosophy. Oxford University. Margaret Wheeler: National officer for the Confederation

of Health Service Employees. Emma MacLennan: vicechair of the Low Pay Unit. David Marquand: Professor of politics at Sheffield University and a member of the Liberal Democrat policy

Other members are: the Very Rev John Gladwin: Christopher Haskins (chairman of Northern Food Dr Penelope Leach (author and psychologist): Bert Massie (director of the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation); Anita Bhalla (editor Asian programmes BBC Radio WM); John Gennard (professor of industrial relations, University of Strathdyde); Dr Eithnie McLaughlin (lecturer in social policy, Queen's University, Belfast).

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Israel wins court fight to deport Palestinian hardliners

Yitzhak Rabin, having won judicial backing to eject Muslim activists, is facing a barrage of international criticism

> FROM BEN LYNFIELD IN JERUSALEM AND MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

ISRAEL's supreme court last night deared the way for the deportation of 383 Palestinians in an unprecedented move that military authorities said was aimed at crippling Islamic fundamentalist activity in the occupied territories.

After more than ten hours of deliberations, the court cancelled an injunction it had issued to block the expulsions. However, it called on the state to explain its behaviour in attempting to remove the Palestinians hastily. The court decided by a five to two majority to allow the deportation to proceed but issued an order giving the government 30 days to explain its decision. The court verdict came as

418 Palestinians held for expulsion were taken by bus by the army to the Lebanese forder at Metulia, bound and blindfolded. Authorities said they were being "temporarily emoved" for two years. Thir-y-five members of the group were taken off the buses last night and sent back to Ketziot prison in southern Israel.

In Beirut, the Lebanese defence ministry announced that the army would turn back the Palestinians. Abu Muhammad Mustafa, an exiled leader of Hamas, the Islamic resistance movement that kidnapped and killed an Israeli policemen, provoking the deportations, said: "The Lebanese should just shut the crossing point in the face of the deportees and tell them to go back even if the Israelis shoot them. Let the Israelis then bear the responsibility. Why don't the Israelis deport [Palestinians] to Jordan or Egypt? Because they refuse to accept the deportees." Mr Mustafa condemned the Israeli expulsion orders as barbaric and called for UN intervention to stop Israel putting them into effect.



Waiting for justice: Israeli troops at the Lebanon border yesterday guarding buses carrying Palestinians of the Hamas Muslim fundamentalist group as they awaited the court decision on their fate

had accused Yirzhak Rabin's government of trying to carry out the expulsions under cover of darkness and secrecy on Wednesday, before being stopped by an injunction they filed. General Ehud Barak, the army chief of staff, told the court that the expulsions were a necessary blow against Hamas and the Islamic Jihad organisation in response to a wave of attacks in the past ten days in which six members of the security forces were killed.

The violence culminated in the kidnapping and killing of Sergeant Major Nissim Toledano, the border policeman whose body was found on Tuesday in the occupied West Bank. There is a substantial danger of escalation of this phenomenon if we do not stop it," General Barak said. "To return them now would cause more severe damage and be interpreted as a moral victory for dangerous

fundamentalist forces." Mr Rabin, whose cabinet approved the move with one abstention, David Libai, the justice minister, said: "There was the need to act first and

foremost for security, to take steps that as far as we are aware have the chance to hurt the organisation [Hamas], its leadership and inciters, and to help the search for its murderous hard core."

Britain, acting as president of the EC, urged Israel not to carry out the deportations, which it described as violating the fourth Geneva Convention. Jordan condemned the expulsions. Mahmoud al-Sharif, the information minister, added he did not approve of the policeman's

In Washington, Arab delegations yesterday boycotted final meetings of the eighth round of Middle East peace talks and the Palestinians claimed the expulsions would deal the talks a death blow. Speaking before the expulsions were authorised, Hanan Ashrawi. the Palestinian spokeswoman, claimed the deportations had bought the talks to the "brink of the abyss". The Israeli delegation regretted the boycott but said the deportees were "fundamentalist terrorists".





Mustafa: denounced Israeli "barbarism"

Arafat faction fears swoop will bolster fundamentalist threat to leadership

By Christopher Walker, middle east correspondent

ISRAEL'S sweeping retaliation against Hamas, the Is-lamic Resistance Movement, and the attacks which prompted it have confirmed the emergence of a new rival to the Palestine Liberation Organisation and those moderate Arab states that also support the peace process. Founded in 1987, Hamas,

meaning "zeal" in Arabic, is a relative newcomer to the Arab-Israeli conflict. But it already claims the backing of 40 per cent of the 1.8 million Palestinians living in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Like fundamentalist movements gathering strength in other parts of the Middle East, notably Algeria. Jordan and Egypt, its popularity is derived from a combination of violence and a welfare

network based around the mosques. "It is not so much that people support Hamas's ideology." said a West Bank Israeli intelligence main-

supporter of Fatah, the main PLO faction led by Yassir Arafat. "It is that they see Hamas are tough. While our negotiators in Washington are getting nowhere, they are pushing the Israelis." Few doubt that the recent spate of spectacular attacks, including the kidnapping and murder of Sergeant Ma-

jor Nissim Toledano, of the border police, were in part designed to provoke an Israeli crackdown which would then further threaten the future of the already fragile peace talks. Israel claims that Fatah still accounts for the biggest number of attacks on Israelis, such as fire-bombings and stonings. But Fatah members have watched popular support erode as Hamas has staged headline-grabbing attacks on Israeli targets.

tains that Hamas receives finance from Iran and Saudi Arabia, which is still taking revenge on the PLO for its pro-Iraqi policy in the Gulf war. The rapid rise of Hamas and its military wing has embarrassed those Arab countries which support the Palestinian cause but are fighting Islamic extremists at home. Al-Ahrum, the Cairo daily and mouthpiece of a government that has detained more than 700 fundamentalists in the past week, claimed yesterday: "Despite ... common ground, there is

a marked difference between a movement such as the Algerian Islamic Salvation Front .. on the one hand and Hamas on the other, with Hamas, the avowed enemy is an occupying power and not

the state per se." In addition to its tough image among the young, dis-possessed Palestinian camp dwellers, Hamas has gained prominence by presenting a squeaky-clean administration in contrast to the alleged corruption surrounding the PLO. Many moderate Palestinians yesterday expressed dismay at the blanket nature of Israel's response to the latest violence, predicting that in the long run it would only increase Hamas's standing and its ability to call on outside funding. Hamas has upped the stakes in its attempt to replace the PLO as the voice of the Palestinian

NEWS IN BRIEF UN to send peace force

Lawyers from the Associ-

ation for Civil Rights in Israel

to Maputo New York: The United Nations is to send 7,500 troops. police and civilians to Mozamrique in an ambitious new peacekeeping operation in Africk (James Bone writes).

Five battalions of peace-keeping troops with added logistical support will oversee the demobilisation of rival forces under the peace accord signed in Rome in October by the formerly Marxist govern-ment in Maputo and the Renamo rebel movement after

14 years of civil war. Hundreds of civilian United Nations staff, aided by a small Un police contingent, will mount a humanitarian operation to resettle six million refugees, and organise polls

Cholera fears

Manmere: Concerns about satitation rose in Maumere, on Flores island, Indonesia, as ten cases of cholera were reparted. Decomposing bodies are still pinned under buildings which were destroyed by the earthquake and seismic wive last weekend (AP)

Rebel jailed

lima: Military judges sentenced Martha Huatay, 49, a Shining Path guerrilla leader, to life imprisonment and fined her £6.33 million. Huatay was a close associate of Abimael Guzman, founder of the Peruvian rebel movement (AFP)

Trial for troops

Algiers: Ninety Algerian army officers and soldiers will face trial on Sunday for plotting against the state with Muslim fiindamentalist guerrillas. El Watan newspaper reported. They are said to be facing the death penalty for plotting to destabilise the army. (AFP)

Baby talk

India, California: A Californin woman is suing Prince Albert of Monaco, saying he fathered her eight-month-old diughter, Jazmin Grace Grimaldi, and broke a promise to help support the child. Royal lawyers refuse to confirm or deny the allegation. (AP)

US accused of 'Al Capone' plan for aid in Somalia

FROM SAM KILEY IN BAIDOA

AMERICAN political and military officials are planning to employ former Somali gunmen as security guards in Baidoa, where American and French troops arrived earlier this week to restore order to the town in the heartland of the county's famine.

The news, which emerged from a meeting between aid agencies working in the re-gion, representatives of Lieutenant General Robert Johnston, the commander of allied forces in Somalia, and Robert Oakley, Washington's special envoy to Somalia, was greeted with horror by many of the relief workers.

"It is the stupidest thing that I have heard in years," one director of an aid agency who attended the meeting said.
"The Americans have been here for just over 24 hours and they think that they are ex-perts. Don't they realise that Somalia's problems cannot be solved by the flick of a switch? Don't they realise why they have been sent? To stop the gunmen from looting food

and extorting money from us, not to give them uniforms." American officials have been anxious to show that the presence of foreign soldiers in Somalia is only temporary and that it is important to rebuild Somalia's systems of administration as quickly as possible. But relief workers were critical of the speed at which the planners are trying

to achieve that objective. The Americans suggested that the now disarmed "airport security" gunmen, who had been wresting thousands of dollars a week from relief agencies in airport landing fees and had occasionally beaten off looting groups of other gunmen, could be used to form a local police force.

Another aid director, who thought that the American principles were sound, said:
The local governor was behind the looting of care trucks
on November 11. The local police chief was one of the prime movers in looting. And both of them are now attending meeting with senior American soldiers and even the US ambassador. It is like putting Al Capone in charge of a bank." He added: "They [the

Americans] should actually find out who these people are and what is going on before suggesting this sort of thing so quickly. This operation must take weeks, not months."

The plan emerged as news

came that a convoy of lorries. from Catholic Relief Services, the American charity, was attacked and partly looted at Awdinle, 20 miles west of Baidoa. US Marines had been promised to the charity to protect the convoy, but the offer was withdrawn yesterday morning after a severe rainstorm drenched the Marines in their fox holes. Villagers said that many "technicals", the heavily armed Jeeps used by Somali gunmen, swept into Awdinle from their base at Bordale, 15 miles to the west, and stole much of the food.



ed a convoy for the first time yesterday into the countryside around Baidoa, taking 100 tonnes of food to four villages north of the town. Aid workers remain anxious that the allied forces should penetrate deeper into the rural areas to prevent more attacks on villages. They have to get out and

about as soon as possible," Locketen Morrissey, the direc-tor of Care International's operation in Baidoa, said. "If they don't, then they will simply leave the most vulnerable population at the mercy of the gurmen who have fled the arrival of real soldiers."

Denn: Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, an-nounced yesterday that he wanted to send armed soldiers

to Somalia, but the opposition

Social Democratic Party. threatened to block what would be the first out-of-area deployment of German combat troops since the war (Patrick Moser writes).
At a news conference, Herr

Kohl said he intended to tell Boutros Boutros Ghali, the United Nations secretary-general, that a battalion of up to 1.500 German troops could be send to Somalia as part of the international relief effort. They would include engineering and communications troops and also "support and self-defense troops". Defence ministry sources said the plan called for infantry to protect German soldiers who would participate in relief work. Friedrich Bohl, a chancel-

lery minister, rejected suggestions that the proposed German deployment would violate a constitutional clause that the government previously said prohibited out-of-area missions by armed German soldiers. Some conservative politicians have argued that because the operations in Somalia are of a humanitarian nature, the constitutional restrictions do not apply.

But Björn Engholm, the leader of the Social Democrats, called the plan "an outright provocation". He said that if the government tried to go ahead with it, "then the issue has to be taken to the constitutional court". The German government

hopes to pass a constitutional amendment early next year, but officials said German troops could participate in a mission to Somalia even before the amendment is tabled in parliament. In a remark aimed at the Social Democratic Party, which has suggested that Germany should seek a permanent seat on the UN Security Council, Herr Kohl said: "UN membership means not only rights but also duties. One cannot reconcile with this responsibility any further delay in the clarification of our participation in the

peacekeeping and peacemak-ing missions of the U.N." Herr Kohl made clear that he was determined that Germany should no longer be seen as sitting on the sidelines as others risked their lives.



Buoyant Milosevic can afford to ride out the West's rage



Milosevic: suspected by

Britons

join the

Bosnian

battle

FROM ADAM LEBOR

IN CENTRAL BOSNIA THE scene was typically

scape of rippling hills and muddy tracks, with the

never ending soundtrack

of Serbian guns firing

from their frontline posit-

ions just over a mile away.

soldiers' voices carrying

over the din of war were

speaking in the accents of

northern England, the

Midlands and Scotland

The four men had faces

daubed with camoullage

paint and said they had

just returned from the

front line near by.

All had served in the

British army and said they

had come to Bosnia to

fight for a cause they

believed was just. "I came

here after seeing the pic-

tures of the Serb camp Omarska on television,"

Pete, a Midlander, said. "I

thought that something

had to be done even if I

had to fight by myself." All

were in their early or mid

twenties, and would not

"Fighting in this kind of

terrain is difficult, espe-

cially when you haven't got

any good weapons or back-

up." John, from northern

think we are stupid or

mad. But a soldier is a

soldier and is trained to be

John claimed he had

witnessed atrocities car-

ried out by Serb fighters.

"At the moment the

Chetniks are taking great

pride in crucifixions in

northern Bosnia, near

Brcko," he said. The sol-

diers said that there were

Russians and Romanians.

as well as a group of

Britons. fighting on the

The quartet are among

several dozen Britons

fighting on the Bosnian

side, but say they are not

mercenaries. They are paid about £7 a month and

ive mainly on beans and

rice. Earlier, we had met a

man from Derby, a field

medic in fatigues, looking

for a hospital near by. Two

days previously. Simon. a

computer programmer

peared in Kiseljak, outside

Sarajevo, carrying his rifle.

Serb side.

give their real names.

However, the Bosnian

THE West is wading into the Serbian presidential elections in a last-minute effort to sway voters against Slobodan Milosevic. the incumbent, who is seen as the political mastermind behind the Bosnian war.

By identifying Mr Milosevic a suspected war criminal Lawrence Eagleburger, the American Secretary of State, has raised the stakes. If the State Department regards him as responsible for crimes against humanity, how is he to tion on Sunday? Can the West still negotiate with him or will it be committed to toppling the Serbian leader by any means? The state-controlled Serbian media remove any reference to the war crimes charge, but the news has spread through Belgrade, thanks to foreign radio

The accusation throws a

If Serbia's leader wins the presidential election, his strategy in Bosnia could wrongfoot America and Europe, Roger Boyes writes

pall of uncertainty over the campaign. In opinion polls, Milan Panic, prime minister of the rump Yugoslavia, is 6 per cent ahead of Mr Miloic, but both are well below the 50 per cent needed to win in the first round.

Mr Milosevic controls the state television - and there-fore the information flow to the countryside, where the bulk of his voters live. He also holds sway at the national bank, commands the loyalty of the police machine and the sympathy of most army offi-

cers. That will probably be enough to secure him victory. Workers have been given wage rises in recent months, the unemployed have been awarded bigger dole pay-ments and peasants have been paid promptly for their crops: all that with money printed by the national bank at Mr Milosevic's behest. The state television has presented all this as evidence that the economy is booming despite UN sanctions. If Mr Milosevic should stumble in the first instruments of power will be turned against Mr Panic and the opposition. So overt Western attempts

to unseat Mr Milosevic may backfire. That is why the cochairmen of the Geneva conference, Cyrus Vance and Lord Owen, have chosen a more subtle appeal to the Serbian voters. "We express our hope that this election will choose the cause of peace, and not the policies of war," they said. Since Mr Milosevic has presided over three wars in 18 months (against Slovenia, Croatia and Bosnia), that was plainly lobbying in favour of Mr Panic. To go further would reinforce the paranoid factions in the Serbian Socialist Party and their ultra-

nationalist supporters.

The fact is that the West is making little impact on the policies of Mr Milosevic. He has reluctantly put his signa-ture to a number of ceasefires and ignored them. He attended the London peace conference in August, but did so grudgingly, generally treat-ing the proceedings as if they had nothing to do with him.

strategy and all the tortured European debates -- whether to recognise Croatia, Bosnia and, now, Macedonia - play little part in his calculations. Analysts believe that soon after Mr Milosevic wins the election on Sunday he will cement a bargain with Croatia that defines spheres of influence and effectively ends the fight-ing in Bosnia. That could wrongfoot the West as it moves to boost its military

When the Serbs have eased their campaign, Bosnian Muslims have intensified their fighting to try to scratch back their land. So by the time the West is in a position to command the skies over Bos-nia, the main combatants may well appear to be the Muslims

The West and Mr Milosevic are thus talking in quite different languages. The idea of the co-chairmen is that Bosnia should become a decentralised republic of about ten provinces, each with a wide degree of autonomy. At the same time, "ethnic cleansing" should be reversed, with Muslim families encouraged to return to their more or less autonomous provinces.

As long as there is no political will to enforce this constitutional solution, however, it remains a fantasy. Who provinces? Who would guarantee the security of the re-turning families? How many such a United

protectorate? Mr Milosevic is a consummate power politician. Serbs hold more than two thirds of Bosnia and there are no pressing reasons for them to surrender land.

The West is rightly concerned that the principle of "ethnic cleansing", if recog-nised in Yugoslavia, would set a dangerous precedent in other countries of the region. Yet. it is difficult to see how any peace formula can work with out accepting the reality of

large displaced populations.

Mr Milosevic knows that as long as these contradictions exist he, and not Geneva, dictates the ebb and flow of war. That can continue as long as Mr Milosevic is impregnable in Serbia.

Russian MPs vote to prevent foreign intervention in Yugoslavia

Serb opposition appeals for the end of dictatorship

By Tim Judah in belgrade and Our Foreign Staff

MORE than 100,000 people opposed to Slobodan Milosevic. the Serbian president. gathered in Belgrade yesterday for the opposition coalition's final pre-election rally. The eyes of the world are on you." Vuk Draskovic, the opposition leader, told them. We are the epicentre of great hope that war can be turned to peace, death to life, and totalitarianism into democracy."

Milan Panic, the prime minister of the rump Yugoslavia, is fighting Mr Milosevic for the presidency. Mr Milosevic spent his last day of electioneering in the predominantly Albanian-populated province of Kosovo, where he made his career by returning the whiplash of power back to local Serbs. Albanians are set on boycotting the poll.

The election campaign intensified as the Russian parliament proclaimed that the threat of foreign armed intervention in the former Yugosla-via had become "real" and called on the Russian government to take "necessary steps" to prevent it. A resolution in Moscow, approved by 151 votes to five, also called on the government to continue working with the permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, but left open the possibility of Russia using its veto "in the case of extreme

The parliament demanded that the government "take the necessary steps to avoid [outside armed intervention and the progressive escalation of

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the former Yugoslavia". The ment came as diplomats from Germany were weighing the possibility of using military over Bosnia. The Moscow vote may lead to the end of the unqualified backing Russia has given so far to UN resolutions against Serbia.

been fighting the "pig war". The country is no stranger to sanctions, he reminds voters. In 1906 the Austro-Hungarian empire embargoed Serbian pork in the so-called "pig war", but Serbia lived to tell the tale and the empire did not. What about 1948 when

Draskovic called for peace and democracy

the conflict in the territory of resolution from Russia's conservative-dominated parlia-America, Britain, France and force to enforce a "no-fly zone"

As Sunday's election ap-Stalin froze heretical Yugoslavia out of the Communist fold?

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It survived too. Mr Milosevic does not remind his electors that, unlike today. Belgrade had other friends in 1906 and 1948. During the Cold war, America poured in money and guns as if there were no

Sanctions are a challenge. Mr Milosevic says, and claims they are stimulating the economy. The figures say something different. Sanctions and general economic collapse have left 40 per cent unemployed and inflation is running at 28,000 per cent a year.

Voters will be nothing if not confused when they cast their ballots in the Yugoslav. Serbian and Montenegrin elections. While Mr Milosevic rants about pigs, Mr Panic has been yelling about dogs. Serbian television, firmly under the control of Mr Milosevic has labelled Mr Panic a "mafioso" and CIA agent. He has hit back calling them "dogs".

Western election observers say they are shocked by the blatant misuse of the state media by Mr Milosevic's Socialist party. Several hours of news and comment every day and his activities, while Mr Panic's doings are reported only briefly.

The opposition cites examples of what it claims are blatant vote buying. Thousands of laid-off workers in an industrial suburb of Belgrade have suddenly received generous lump-sum payments. Farmers have had taxes

postponed, and in Zrenjanin. the constituency of Radoman Bozovic, the Serbian prime minister. farmers have suddenly been paid for last summer's crop. Opposition sup-porters have also been encouraged to check the electoral rolls after it was discovered that many people who had listened to the opposition call to boyout the last election had mysteriously been struck

Rumours are racing around Belgrade ahat Serbian television is preparing a block-buster hatchet job on Mr Panic to be screened just before the poll. Vladislav Jovanovic, the Serbian foreign minister, hints that he has documents proving Mr Pan-



Sarajevo sorrow: Mirza Kafenovic. 14, and his mother visiting the grave of his father for the first time since he was killed by a mortar bomb two months ago

ic's collusion with Serbia's enemies. Mr Panic does little to help himself. He plays into the hands of Mr Milosevic by surrounding himself with American advisers and pollsters, who tell Serbs that their client is leading Mr Milosevic by 4 per cent. Even more unhelpful to his campaign is his habit of giving press con-ferences in English which are. then translated for Serbian

The question of Serbs in

Bosnia and Croatia does not rank high on the agenda because opposition and government tend to agree on Serbian objectives, but Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, has made dear that he would prefer Mr Milosevic to be president.

A meeting yesterday of the Bosnian Serb parliament to declare a unilateral end to the war seemed designed to impress Serbian voters rather than anyone else because

Serbs cannot end the war if the other parties keep fighting.

☐ Belgrade: Milovan Djilas. 82, Yugoslavia's most famous dissident, who fell from grace nearly 40 years ago for advocating multiparty politics and a freer market, will be rehabilitated, the Tanjug news agency reported. Mr Djilas, a war

hero, will be formally forgiven and his military medals Leading article, page 15 **Gummer dismisses**

attack on Gatt deal By Tom Walker and Our Foreign Staff

JOHN Gummer, the agriculture minister, angrily dis-missed yesterday France's latest objection to the European Community's accord with the United States on farm subsidies. But a senior American official said the state of the latest round of negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade has become

"exceedingly grim". Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister, has upset the talks by his claim that the European Commission's document outlining the accord, presented to the Gatt authoriues in Geneva on Wednesday, was "null and void". Mr Gummer said M Dumas had stepped out of line. "I am not concerned at all. I don't think that sounds like it's got any connection with life at all," he

M Dumas' quotes have been seized upon by American negotiators, who now doubt

whether the Commission has the authority to negotiate on behalf of the Community. There is reason to question whether the EC can now make a credible offer," an official said. "The picture is exceed-ingly grim." he added. "It does not look as if we'll be able to conclude; there are now too many problems out there."

Mr Gummer and the Com-

mission seemed reluctant to admit that France's level of resistance to further Gatt negotiations remains dangeroushigh. A spokesman for Frans Andriessen, the Com-mission's chief Gatt negotia-tor, said Brussels had "no evidence that anyone will block" its submission to Geneva Mr Gummer said: "There is no visible support for any interruption in those negotiations." He said if there were American fears, then

they were no more that

NEWS IN BRIEF

Moscow is chided over missing **Americans**

Moscow: American diplomats charged the Russian govern-ment yesterday with failing to provide adequate information on the fate of American ser-vicemen believed to have been missing in or near the Soviet Union during the Cold war

(Robert Seely writes). Malcolm Toon, the former heads the Russian-US commission investigating the late of US prisoners of war, said: The American public, the American government and I will simply fail to understand why the Russian government cannot ultimately come up with the information that we

Mr Toon accepted the Kremlin's statement that there were no missing US servcemen now alive in the former Soviet Union.

Clinton cabinet taking shape

Washington: Bill Clinton, the president-elect, is preparing to announce more senior appointments including more blacks and a first Hispanic in keeping with his promise of an administration that "looks like America". Mr Clinton vill name his top foreign affairs appointees next week. His Secretary of State is likely to be Warren Christopher, the for mer Carter administration official. Les Aspin is front-runner for Defence Secretary.

Aids outrage

Paris: Associations representing more than 1,200 haenophiliacs infected with Aidstainted blood said the National Assembly's refusal to charge any of the three former cabinet ministers implicated in France's worst medical scandal was cowardly, shameful, and a Nazi crime. (AF)

Craxi defiant

Rome: Bettino Craxi, the Italan Socialist leader, hit back last night at the "odious dimate" created by his critics and refused to resign as party secretary in spite of being formally implicated by magistrates in Italy's biggest bubery scandal since the war.

Wörner stays

Brussels: The Nato allies, signalling a desire for stability at a time of change in Europe, have extended by three years the term of Manfred Wirner as the organisation's secretary-general, sources said. (AP)

American shot

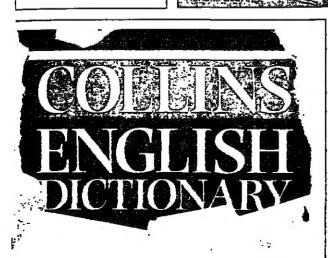
Paris: Gilbert Becaud, 65, the French pop star, shot and slightly wounded an American serviceman at a quayside on the Seine. The incident occurred when the American. who appeared to have been drinking, took Becaud's home, a barge, for a floating restaurant. (AFP)

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Consumers see single market as a sham

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

THE main consumers' organisation in the European Community yesterday accused the Commission of misleading advertising" on the European single market, now only two weeks away.

In the most damning indictment yet of the market. BEUC, which is made up of the main consumer associations in the EC, said: "There will be no single market for Europe's consumers on January 1, 1993, and probably not for many years to come."

In an extensive and meticulously researched document. the Brussels-based group managed to pick holes in many of the EC directives that are meant to have produced a market without trade harriers. The group pointed out dero-gations and compromises that will keep consumers locked in the protectionist traps of their domestic markets. The group criticised the provisions of the

market for food, insurance, cars, medicines, toys, furni-ture, televisions and video recorders, banking, telecommunications, postal services, energy, and air transport.

Meanwhile, the British

presidency of the Community seemed to spend the entire day congratulating itself for com-pleting the market. John Gummer, the agriculture minister, was positively radiant after finalising details of the new common agricultural policy, "Britain has been tile pioneer of the single market." he said. "It is our great contribution to European unity, extending from Scotland to Sicily, from the Atlantic to what used to be the border of East Germany.

Lapsing into almost Chur-chillian rhetoric, Mr Gummer summed up: "It is a proud moment for the British presidency; we called for it, we tought for it. we won it."

Mitterrand 'not cured of cancer'

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS

THE first health bulletin issued since President Mitterrand's prostate surgery three months ago indicates that his cancer is not spreading, but nor is it responding fully to treatment. The bulletin, issued by the

French president's personal physician, said that the health of M Mitterrand, 76. was good apart from the prostrate cancer. However. the report said "the dosage of the antigen, which had diminished after the opera-tion, is still higher than normal". Dr Richarde Fourcade, of the French Association of Urologists. said: "This is not a good prognosis and shows that M Mitterrand is responding insufficiently to treatment."

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Yeltsin snubs America by offering China weapons for cash

■ The Russian president, accused by hardline domestic critics of pro-Western bias, is ready to do business with Peking's Communists

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW AND CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

PRESIDENT Yeltsin appointed Yegor Gaidar as his personal adviser on economic policy yesterday and flew into Peking to announce that there were "great prospects" for military co-operation between Russia and China.

The president pledged in-creased arms deals with China in a signal to Washington that if the West will not give him the aid he needs, he will turn towards the East for hard

"We are accused of looking too much towards the West." he told the Chinese on arrival, "but this second breakthrough in Asia — first South Korea, now China — gives natural balance to our foreign policy. The decades of stagnation, the absence of any properation absence of any co-operation between our two mighty nations, which share a common border 2,500 miles long, were

simply unnatural."

Before setting off on his state visit to China on a tour intended to thaw the frosty relations between the two countries and lay the ground for a potentially profitable arms trade, Mr Yeltsin appeared to have persuaded key radical ministers not to desert his cabinet.

The appointment of Mr Gaidar, cast aside earlier this week as the acting prime minister, is intended to show that, although he might have lost full control of the govern-ment, he will still fight to keep hold of the reigns of general policy and to keep as many of his of his old team around him as possible. Mr Gaidar becomes the Russian leader's right-hand man and will head a new Moscow institute re-

searching the problems of economic transition. The Russian leader talked to reporters as he climbed the steep inclines of China's most ancient defence installation, the Great Wall, built to keep out invaders from the North. "We plan to discuss military co-operation in our negotiations, probably tomorrow. In the old days of the former Soviet Union a lot of military technology came here. To restore it, spare parts and personnel are needed."

Spare parts, however, are just the beginning. There is no love lost between China's Communist leadership and the man who buried commu-nism in the Soviet Union. Peking, however, in its usual pragmatic way, is prepared to do business with Mr Yeltsin. and is buying Russian armaments as fast as Moscow can sell them. It has already taken delivery of 24 Su-27 fighter jets and negotiating for MiG31s. Recently it was re-

ported that Russia plans to pay

off £318 million of its £637 million debt to China in the form of military hardware. Peking is also believed to have recruited Russian weapons There is speculation that Moscow and Peking may be turning towards each other to

alarm the Americans into improving its relations with both, providing more aid for Russia and no-strings at-tached trade for China. By coincidence, the visit of Barbara Franklin, the American commerce secretary, to Peking this week signalled an upturn in China's relations with America, and a return to the visits banned after the suppression of the pro-democracy movement in 1989.

Photograph, page 18



the Malaysian former banker, being led to court in Hong Kong yesterday to face charges of theft, corruption and conspiracy to defraud in connection with the collapse of one of the colony's best known companies in the 1980s. He did not enter a plea. Mr Osman, who is 61 today, will plead for bail before another court on Monday. He

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staved off extradition from Britain for seven years until Wednesday. A native of Malaysia, but resident in London since 1984, Mr Osman was Britain's longest-serving remand prisoner. (AP)

Cambodian guerrillas seize 46 **UN** men

From Agence France-Presse in Phnom Penh

KHMER Rouge guerrillas in central Cambodia took captive another 46 United Nations peacekeepers yesterday after releasing 21 captives earlier in

the day, a UN official said.

A Khmer Rouge official in Kompong Thom province ordered the detention of the second group, the UN said. The 46 Indonesians and their Khmer Rouge captors were fully armed, and the UN did not rule out an armed con-frontation. "There is a poten-tial for conflict which we are trying to avoid." said Eric Falt,

"We are a peacekeeping force, in Cambodia to monitor and maintain peace," he declared. "We are not going to go shoot our way out of this. Since both are fully armed, we have to use negotiations.

The Khmer Rouge official said he would release the captives only on the written order of General Men Ron, his commander, who was with his own forces some distance north of Kompong Thom.

Tycoon holds key to **Korean election**

By JOANNA PITMAN

SOUTH Koreans today elect their first civilian president for more than 30 years, the man who will inherit the unsteady democracy introduced by President Rob Tae Woo six

Mr Roh is constitutionally barred from running for a second term. His successor will be chosen from two veteran dissidents of dictatorships and a business tycoon aged 77. All three favour democratic development, free markets and the peaceful reunification of Korea. Their platforms are so close that the race is largely one of personalities rather than policies.

A month ago, Kim Yong Sam, the candidate of the ruling Democratic Liberal Party, was highly tipped. He has been endorsed implicitly by Mr Roh and represents stability, an attractive prospect for the predominantly conservative-minded electorate. Over the past week, however, favour has swung to Kim Dae Jung, of the main opposition Democratic Party. Aged 67, He is a

long-time opposition fighter who has survived prison and even a death sentence.

Mr Kim Dae Jung has closed the gap largely by default. Earlier this week a smear campaign against him by provincial members of the ruling party was exposed. But what has helped him most is the entry into the race of of Hyundai, South Korea's largest industrial conglomerate, who handed over day-today control of the company to his son in January when he set up his own United People's Party. Mr Chung has been winning support at the ex-pense of Mr Kim Yong Sam, tipping the balance in favour of Mr Kim Dae Jung.

By yesterday, about 40 per cent of the electorate had not made up their minds. South Koreans have heard candidates extolling the virtues of their young democracy, yet most cerned about rising inflation, housing costs, unemployment and bankruptcies.

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The defects it can help to minimise are called Neural Tube Defects and include such conditions as Spina Bifida and Anencephalus.

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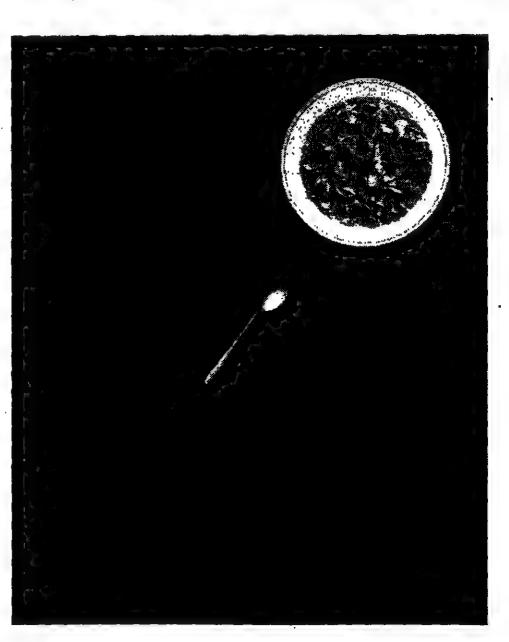
It is recommending that all women of childbearing age significantly increase their daily intake of both Folic Acid and Folate.

(A wise precaution when you consider that over half of all pregnancies are unplanned.)

So what is the best way to do this?

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Surprising though such findings may seem, they really just serve to emphasise one thing.

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Keating swears to fire the Windsors

FROM ROBERT COCKBURN IN SYDNEY

As if to distance himself yet further from the House of Windsor, Paul Keating, the Australian prime minister, yesterday announced that new citizens will in future swear an oath of allegiance to country rather than Queen.

For Mr Keating, who is campaigning to dump the Queen as head of state in favour of an independent republic, dropping the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty follows a number of criticisms he has made of the royal family.

But yesterday proved even more revealing for the future of Anglo-Australian relations. As a result of Australia's worsening eco-nomic recession, 25 per cent of Qantas, the national airline and status symbol, was sold to British Airways to raise about £300 million in desperately needed publie funds. The sale was opposed by anti-British elements, who funded a poster at Sydney's international airport saying "Piss off Poms. No British Airways

ownership of Qantas". These sentiments failed to influence Mr Keating, and raised fierce criticism from Stephan Kerkyasharian, the chairman of the ethnic affairs commission. who condemned the poster attack as racist. It is an interesting point in a coun-

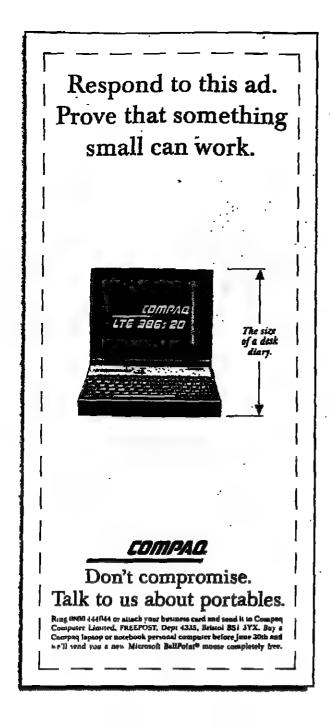
try where a grudging re-spect for British culture has always been measured by outspoken criticism. By defending the sensitivities of British migrants, as he would any of Australia's ethnic minorities. Mr Kerkyasharian has subtly redefined Britain's chang-

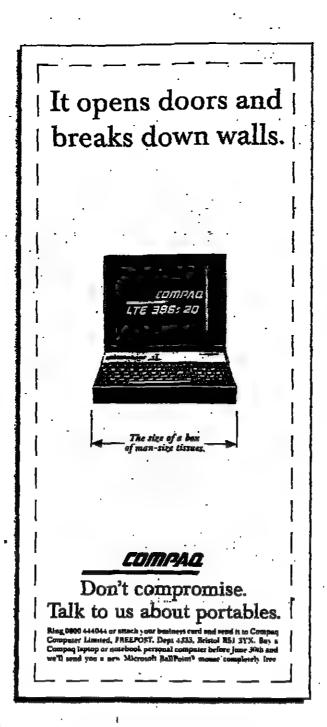
ing status down under.
The decision to drop the oath of allegiance to the Queen provoked conflicting responses last night. The federal cabinet in Canberra chose to adopt the new oath to reflect modern Australia and its national aspirations. Mr Keating said that a fresh preamble to the new Citizenship Act would define citizenship as a common bond which involved reciprocal rights and ob-ligations that united all Australians.

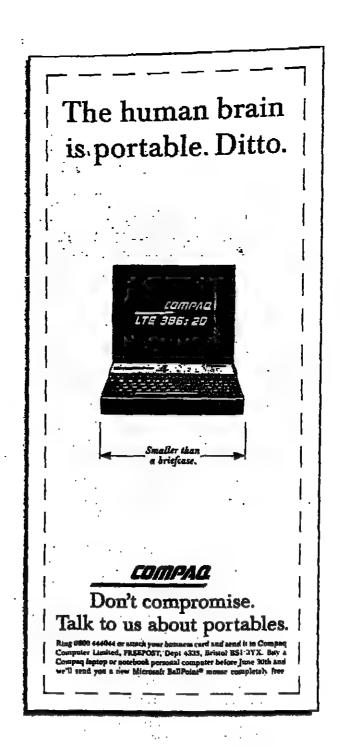
O pponents of the republican movement have accused Mr Keating of again using the issue to distract attention from Australia's economic crisis.

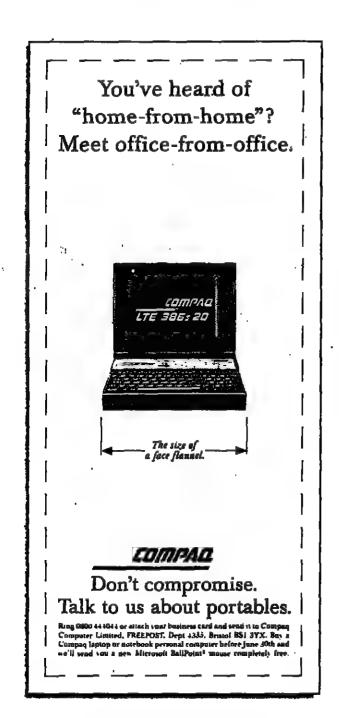
Lloyd Waddy, QC, head of the Australian monar.

chist movement, said. There is no oath of allegiance to a foreign Queen. The only oath is to the Queen of Australia, and these lies and falsehoods that are put around are doing great disservice to

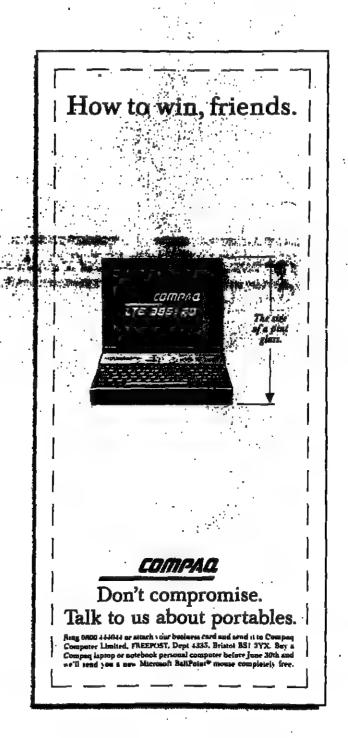












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A little help from her friends Old view of

a charity group, a dollop of entrepreneurial spirit, and endless zest: the finished product is Jane Tewson

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"If we had a keen vision and feeling of all ordinary human life, it would be like hearing the grass grow and the squirrel's heartbeat, and we should die of that roar that lies on the other side of silence. As it is, the quickest of us walk about well wadded with stupidity."

think of George Eliot's words as I negotiate the cordoned-off streets after the Oxford Street bombing. I step over the toothless bag lady in the doorway of the dark and rainy street, and find the first-floor office where Jane Tewson runs her Charity Projects empire. Here she takes from them that hath, giving to them that do not. In this office, even the coffee in the coffee machine (from Coffee Exchange), the loo paper (from Kleenex) and their car parking space (from NCP) are gifts. There is no company so unacceptably capitalist, so Ebenezer Scrooge-like that it cannot give something. It



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salves their conscience, yo cynically and rightly say. But that is the impulse into which the entrepreneurial Ms Tew-

I am here because it is Christmas: season of hurling credit cards recklessly across the counters of department stores, and then stepping out among the destitute and being stricken with collective, charitable guilt.

"Oh, the guilt," she says. "We're all spending hundreds of pounds on our children and families and we think, God, there's that old bag lady again. And it's cold and wet out

But Ms Tewson, begetter of the biennial Red Nose days and Comic Relief, is a woman in the mould of the Victorian philanthropists Angela Bur-dett-Coutts and Eglantyne Jebb: women with spirit and energy who, seeing how unjustly organised the world is, change it. Charity Projects has raised £75 million since it started in 1984, and every pound goes to projects that

People still think charity is just about giving money. But " 'Charity: Leniency or tolerance in judging others: unwillingness to think badly of people ... loving kindness to-wards others. It's about enabling people to change their

he has turned charity into a brilliant bartering business. You have to get the right kinds of service to the right people without incurring any unnecessary expense. Everyone marvels at her ability to get people to give services and products. Woolworth even sent a human helper. I am surprised to learn that Ms Tewson needs someone to give her free washing up liquid and cleaning fluids: anyone got any to spare?

"If you're asking for help. the world is your oyster. Everybody wants to give, she says.

They very rarely say no." She is 33 and six months pregnant. There is a poignancy about knowing the wretched state the world is in - and she knows it well, having been in Somalia and the Sudan (she met her anthropologist husband through their African work) and working so closely with the young homeless and the disabled here — and yet feeling ecstatically happy at the prospect of giving birth. She could not have wished for a happier childhood herself. Her parents are both doctors (her father now retired) in the village of Thame in

"We grew up with a sense of social responsibility. There were four of us, and mum



horseback, taking us with her, and make them feel loved and

cared for." It was when she first worked for charities such as Mencap, that she began to get angry. "I was burning, perhaps naively. I wanted to shout about what I felt charity stood for in this country. Ters help those poor little people, when it should be, let's talk to people and find out what they really need. I was depressed by fundraising mischief — like a packet of charity Christmas cards at 63.99, with only 5p going to the charity. I thought,

wouldn't it be great to produce a commercially viable product for charity but totally spon-sored, and make it sell not just on emotive grounds but because it's fun?" Hence the first charity project the Neth-er Wallop Arts Festival, and Comic

When she went in search of her first funds, people in City offices would send someone down who would expect "the charity lady to be old and grey, not young and blonde and fetching. Her success was instantaneous. Tim Bell (now Sir Tim) then at Saatchi and Saatchi, thought her idea was splendid. "He said, 'Here's £12,000 a year, go and do it'. Then Mike Russell Hills, the film-maker, gave us our first office — a brothel in D'Arblay Street. Lawyers and accountants gave their services free. That is the spirit we exist on. Anthony Pye-Jeary of Dewynters does all our design and print work.

A real philanthropist who has a very exotic life and loves giving.
"What we are is grant-

we spend it strategically. We look for projects where people are doing things for themselves, moving out of a state of dependency to independ-

She carmot bear to see money and time not being reused for the general good. Could she not pose for our photograph in Mothercare clothes and get them to pay, she asked? When I paid £2 for our cappuccinos, she said: We should be able to pay twice over, and enable someone else to haveone too." "Even now, people some-

My friends might say, 'Jane, you're so good, working for charity'. But I created for myself the best job in the world'

> times hesitate to give because they don't believe the money gets through: but they don't feel that if they can give direct involvement. You for in-stance" (as I scribbled) "could offer writing skills. If I write a report on the homeless, I'm too close to it, I need someone fresh to come in from outside

Emma Freud, the broadcaster, comes in two or three days a week and offers sharp advice. "If I say something is impossible, she says 'Balls'. And she's absolutely right. She's committed, energetic, and astute. We're writing our pamphlet for Red Nose Day IV. next March. And Emma will say, 'Not funny enough. Got to be funnier. Got to would visit her patients on makers we have money, and rewrite it. The sadness is, a

lot of the time we're just funding wages — for people to work on the streets with young homeless. Or with pensioners. We can't claim our money has the most incredible impact it doesn't. But what we can do is help the unsung heroes out there in the rain now, offering

advice and shelter and help to young people sleeping rough." She knows all too well the popular prejudice. They could go home if they wanted to," - and some could. "But nobody would live on the streets by choice. And once you're in a doorway, it's very

difficult to get out of it. Street culture is a very absorbent caare young girls out there who want nothing more than to get on in life, and do their exams, but they can't do anything until they've got a place to live. You only have to give them a tiny bit leash all their energy

and determination and the vitality of youth, and they bounce back. A lot of young kids aren't runaways but throwaways. They don't have a home to go back to, and no access whatever to any funds. "Homelessness is aiways with us, but gets a profile at

Christmas because we are all celebrating. I'm just as selfish as anyone else. My friends might say, 'Jane, you're so good, working for charity'. But I created for myself the best job in the world. Who could want a better job?"

Today they had allocated the last of their Red Nose money from 1991, making grants to projects for the old possibly the least appealing of all deserving causes. For instance, they had allocated

to Arlington House, the dossers' place in Camden Town: what impressed them was that the down-and-outs themselves, of whom nobody expects very much, sit on the management committee of the

Maggie, one of the project assessors, had just visited a centre in Glasgow run by and for young drug misusers offer-ing sports facilities and counselling. "Their approach is, make people feel good about image' programme, with an extremely tough insistence on total abstinence. We don't have a prescriptive view, but we do like places where people in need can help themselves." negligible. I pick up a letter at random on her desk and find a request from a centre in north London which wants to equip its centre, where the young unemployed can spend time instead of menacing the neighbourhood: on their list is "£40 for a basketball and a

he Charity Projects staff see plainly the absurdity of denying funds to services for short-term economic reasons. If you stop funding a drug misuse programme for the young, you end up paying far more to keep that person in hospital or in jail. When instead, he might have been given a skill and a purpose, and not become a burden to society for life. "To fund a project, and then have the project collapse, means Charity Projects is just pissing in the

"And I am not happy to piss in the wind," Ms Tewson says. "We need to be sure what government policies are, so we

new Russia

How an English tutor brought Russian imperialism to Oxford

is a saint

and a

martyr'

Moscow before the Revolution, is an old man now: 87. It is almost exactly the age that Tsarevich Alexis, heir to all the Russias, would have reached today if he had not been shot dead with all his family in 1918, and thrown

into a pit. But between the boy who died and the old exile living in a quiet side-street in Oxford there exists an odd, strong emotional link.

If the bones from that pit in Siberia, now being tested at Aldermaston, are finally proved to be those of the Imperial family, that emo-tion will grow stronger. DNA tests linked the Tsaxina's bones to specimens from her great-nephew the Duke of Edinburgh. As

place, the certainty seems likely to grow and to culminate in some sort of official, though politically careful, recognition. For exiled Russians of Mr Gibbes's generation, the matter of the Tsar is not history, but a matter of serious religious importance. The ruler who the revolutionaries

dubbed "Nicholas the Bloody" may now be buried with honour in his own country: to see that day will be, for some of his Orthodox compatriots, almost literally unbelievable. Until he became infirm, Mr

Gibbes guarded a small, touching shrine. A lamp burned before a cross and a portrait of the late Tsar, a collection of sad small domestic possessions lay in glass cases, and a pair of Nicholas II's tall felt boots stood in the corner. Mr Gibbes had espe-

cial reason to keep them. In 1908, when Edward VII visited the Imperial family and observed that the young grand-duchesses English accents were poor, Tsar Nicholas hired a young man from Rothernam as their tutor. Charles Sydney Gibbes stayed with the family for the last ten years of their lives: in 1913 he took over the teaching of the shy, nine-year-old haemophiliac heir, Alexis Nicolaievich. "We looked", wrote the tutor in his diary "at the Golligow's Circus Book. He wrote a letter in coloured chalks for Anastasia. Afterwards we made a paper hat."

Gibbes was there through the family's Siberian exile too, when the grand duchesses and the increasingly crippled Tsarevich passed their time with him learning "Young Lochinvar", and performing English farcical sketches from the 1890s. The last unrestrained laughter the Empress ever enjoyed, the tutor wrote, was when Grand-Duchess Anstasia's skirt blew up in the course of one performance revealing a set of the Tsar's Jaeger underwear.

Then the family were moved to the infamous "House of Special Purpose", and he never saw them alive again. He kept the children's drawings and exercise-books; after he accepted their death he left to work in China. Here, he met another Russian boy of the dead Alexis' age, who had lost his parents in the Revolution. The boy George became his adopted son. Later, the tutor took Russian Orthodox orders and became Father Nicholas,

eorge Gibbes, born in memory of the Tsar.
George Paveliev in After his adoptive fr After his adoptive father's death in 1963 George had some of his journals and memorabilia edited (by JC Trewin) and published. The Tsar's portrait by Ryepin was found, rolled in newspapers, never mentioned.

Today George Gibbes is old,
"and very tired", but he still
lives independently amid a mass of copies of the old journals and his eye is on the new Russia. He has little faith in it. "One cannot believe anything you hear What? Not Soviet now? You don't believe it. There are bad things done still Yeltsin talks too much and says it is all superb. Hah! What can you

believe?" Above his head George Gibbes hangs one simple icon, the other relics

having gone to an Orthodox church. "I miss them very much, but it is necessary to put them where they will be kept safe." Should the Tsar be, as some say, canonised? This question brings his brows together with a snap. "He is a saint. As far as I am concerned, he is a saint and

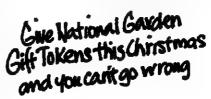
Among the tutor's papers is



Portrait of Tsar Nicholas II by Ryepin, found after Gibbes's death

a prayer Grand-Duchess Olga wrote out for the family that ast Christmas of 1917. "Grant us thy patience, Lord, in these our woeful days/ The mob's wrath to endure, the torturer's ire... Breathe strength in us to pray, Father, forgive them!" The tutor rarely spoke of his pupils, but pre-served their writings and his journals, kept the faith and passed it on. In his adopted son it still burns angry as

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day, and nobody had offered

her a seat. People in London

are hard and cold and self-

absorbed and she knows all

about "compassion fatigue".

"Charity is not about giving

money: it's about being sensi-

tive to needs around you all the

Yet, she says, "What I love about my job is learning that

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Despite new evidence, one of the great spy mysteries will never be conclusively solved, writes Ben Macintyre in New York

The opening up of the Soviet archives is an event to make the pulse of every historian quicken. By any standards the secrets of the most decritful and clandestine empire ever, in the form of millions of documents from the chadestard of the Coulet profine the shadows of the Soviet regime, represent a treasure trove without

At least that is the expectation, but so far the Soviet vaults (now being painstakingly combed) have solved none of the grained more riddles, and have raised more questions than have been answered: a shadowy photograph that may, or may not be the dead body of Hitler, a suggestion from Boris Yelisin that proof would emerge of Americans and others held in Soviet prisons, but little of real

Earlier this year, the head of Russia's espionage archives and keeper of the largest mausoleum of state secrets in the world, General Dmitri Volkogonov, announced that the book could now be closed on at least one of the most tantalising of Cold War riddles: the case of Alger Hiss, the soigne liberal, product of Harvard and official of the New Deal and the UN, who was tried and jailed in 1950 after denying under oath that he had passed secrets to the Soviet Union, and whose guilt, or otherwise, has been debated with relentless ferocity for more than 40 years.

The strange case of Alger Hiss

In October General Volkogonov stated that "Mr A. Hiss had never and nowhere been recruited as an agent of the intelligence services of the USSR." Not a single document. he said, substantiated the allegations against him and added with feeling You can tell Mr Alger Hiss that the heavy weight can be lifted

Alger Hiss, 88 and partially blind but dapper and doughty still, gave a press conference in New York to say he was delighted that the accusations he had spent nearly half a century denying had finally been proved groundless.

General Volkogonov's statement, of course, proved nothing of the sort and a volley of doubts. mostly from the right, have echoed through the opinion pages of America's newspapers ever since: how could the general claim to have studied all the thousands of relevant documents in less than a month? Why had he not reviewed the most important files of all, relating to the Communist International, or Comintern? Did not the speed and emotion with which the general announced the innocence of Alger Hiss suggest an ulterior motive, a

So far from absolving Hiss, or solving the mystery surrounding his activities, the head of the Soviet archive has deepened it, breathing new life into a controversy that will long outlast its participants.

The case of Alger Hiss has less to do with history than politics: the testimony against him, and the literature spawned thereafter is vast, complex and mostly tedious. Tony Hiss, Alger Hiss's son and a writer at the New Yorker, estimates that only some ten people in the world understand the case in its

Yet the Hiss scandal was a defining event on which almost every American was and is prepared to express a firm, perhaps unshakable opinion based not on history, proof or justice, but on belief. For some Hiss was the victim of an anti-communist lynch-mob, for others he was a traitor lurking beneath a liberal skin. Those images remain today for, as Michael Wines of the New York Times recently pointed out, "the Cold War is over, but the struggle to shape its history is not"; the deeply ingrained ideologies of the Cold War are now playing themselves out in the emerging historiography of today.



Celebrating: Hiss and his wife

One of Hiss's most relentless interlocutors on the House Committee on UnAmerican Activities was a young congressman named Richard Nixon, Nixon himself agreed that his prominent role in the Hiss affair catapulted him to notoriety and finally, the presiden-cy. Hiss called him "a power-hungry opportunist", and the disgrace of the president is often seen as a vindication of the man he

months.
"Leftist celebrators of Hiss's 'innocence' should recork the champagne," snorted an article in the conservative Washington Times; "It's time to tear up the history wrote Martin Walker of The Guardian. Beside these diametrically opposed interpretations, such matters as evidence, or lack of it, and debates over historical method, thoroughness or objectivity are perhaps meaningless.

I spoke to Alger Hiss yesterday. A frail, courteous voice on the end of a telephone in Manhattan, as unlikely a symbol of the communist menace now as he was 40 years ago. "I was always confident in an emotional sense that the truth would come out," he said, "but in an intellectual sense, as intimations of my mortality grew, I had to say maybe this would be put off and my son would be the one to clear it up.

Whatever else he may have been, Alger Hiss has been consistent in his own defence, adamant in his proclaimed innocence, "It's been a very joyful occasion," he said of ment, only slightly marred by the

the general's motives. "I think it's rather presumptuous for them to think they know more about the archives than he does." he said of

General Volkogonov's critics.

Hiss's satisfaction is a personal one, for he knows, perhaps better than anyone else, that almost no matter what the archives reveal he will probably remain what he has always been: a symbolic bone for ideologues to fight over.

"I am part of the country's demonology," he said and laughed hoarsely, "Important for the mental life of the country. We've had things like this before the Salem witch trials and attitudes towards blacks in the south. In England you had Titus Oates. The facts are less important. For some people there is a professional as well as an emotional aspect. People have made their livelihood writing books and magazines about my case." In Russia, as in the West,

historians are seeking to come to terms with their history and, as in the West, the divisions between reformers and the old guard, liberals and conservatives will shape the way that history is

came down and the archives behind the iron curtain promised to yield up their riches, historians rubbed their hands and said the answers to the Cold War conundrums would not be long in coming once hardline communism was replaced with historical consensus: was Lee Harvey Oswald working on behalf of the KGB? Was Dag Hammarskjold assassi-nated? Was Felix Block a spy? All would be revealed.

There are practical reasons why these questions will probably never be answered definitively. The communists were great hoarders of documents, but they were not in the habit of leaving tracks; as Alexander Dallin, sovietologist at Stanford, pointed out recently "I'm sure Stalin didn't go out of his way to write on a piece of paper to the head of the secret police: "Beria, have Trotsky assassinated."

To judge from the Alger Hiss case when evidence is uncovered. and even more so when it is not, in just made up but closed, the truth may become more, not less clusive.
But then again, if history was simply about finding the truth, how sanctimonious and pedantic it would be; as the British historian E.A. Freeman once remarked,

"History is past politics, and politics present history." Sometimes it is hard indeed to tell the difference

Who should be president of Britain?

Ludovic Kennedy argues that the monarchy has had its day and

the time has come for a republic

o wedded are our commentators to the idea of the monarchy that they have shut their eyes to the consideration of anything else. But the monarchy in this country is fast becoming an anachronism. Kings and queens, princes and princesses are the stuff of fairy tales, not of 20th and 21st-century life. The case for an alternative is a reasonable

For almost all the 900 years of its existence the monarchy stood apart from us, sustained at first by the political power it wielded, then, as that power passed to parliament, by its symbolic role as the unifier of the people, the spiritual embodiment of the nation. What was essential to it in the 19th century, as Walter Bagehot pointed out, was its mys-tery and mystique. For many, Shakespeare's "divinity that doth hedge a king" was a simple truth. For a few it still is today.

Until quite recently few subjects knew much about their monarch or the life that he or she led. They cheered as the royal party rolled by in open landaus, waved Union Jacks and belted out the national anthem. Their loyalty if not their love was never in question: but for all of them the monarch was remote. This situation lasted until the Fifties when the arrival of television faced the royal family with a terrible dilemma. Should they ignore it as infra dig and be accused of stuffiness or, forgetting Bagehot's warning that too much davlight would destroy the magic. succumb to it?

The Queen remembered Bagehot and with two notable exceptions (the television films. The Royal Family and Elizabeth R) ignored it thus partly preserving the monarchical mystique. However, her children gradually suc-cumbed to it, agreed to be interviewed and participate in documentaries, even to make fools of themselves in undignified games like It's a Knockout. And the more they allowed television to do what it wanted with them, the more they were seen to be no different from the rest of us. The failed marriages of the Queen's children only seem to confirm this.

And yet the pretence of their being different is still maintained.

Royalty must be addressed as "sir" or "ma'am", and be bowed and curtsied to as in Shakespeare's day. Weird customs are still practised like that of the Lord Chamberlain retreating backwards before the

staff of the royal household seem to be living in the past. When made a film on the career of Richard Dimbleby whose awed commentaries on state occasions did the roval family some service, I asked permission to include the sequence of the Queen's crowning (the palace own the copyright of the BBC film). Mr Charles Anson, a press officer

zarre grounds that the Queen regarded the event, the most public of her reign and watched all over private matter. To compound this dottiness Mr Anson begged me to It is the wholly unusual, indeed

almost schizophrenic, lifestyle of the royal family, half the time highnesses a cut above us, half the time as frail and vulnerable as the rest of us, that has attracted the press like a magnet to the real life soap opera.

Throughout our history the monarchy has proved a durable and useful institution, but I believe it has now outlived its usefulness. The trappings of monarchy, the Irish state coach, the cap of maintenance and the paraphernalia of palaces, castles, jewels and pictures beyond price belong more to the glories of an imperialist past than to the shrunken and utilitarian world we

Yet the more we decline into a secondary power, the more we seem to be obsessed by royalty. almost as if we felt we may have lost everything else but at least we have got that it encourages us to contemplate our navels, to look inwards rather than outwards to a degree that cannot be healthy either for them or for us. Consider some of the burdens we

Queen as she advances through the Palace of Westminster. Too many of the

permission on the bi-

the world by millions, as an entirely keep the Queen's decision private.

live in today.

impose on the royal family. The Queen inherited the throne at a time when she knew what she had to do, and for 40 years she has done it superbly well. But take Prince Charles: we have given him an ancient title but left him to decide for himself how he wished to occupy his time. For much of his work, in the way of trusts and schemes and charities, great credit is due. But he has also been a controversial figure, holding forth on all sorts of subjects from the decline of the English language to violence on television and sometimes saying worthwhile things and sometimes silly ones. But whether worthwhile or silly, he must know that the publicity given

to them rests solely on who he is. And being an intelligent and sensitive man he must have often wondered about his true worth. how he would have fared had be been born a commoner.

The Sun newspaper says he is determined to be king, but from everything I read or hear I would think the opposite to be true. A monarch (unless a bicycling one which for this dynasty I would have thought inconceivable) is nothing if not positioned at one or more removes above his subjects; and if Prince Charles wishes to preserve even a scintilla of the status of kingship, then he must do what his mother has done these past four decades and maintain, more or

less, a dignified silence. Is that what this questing and capable prince wants, to become a figurehead to be wheeled out from time to time on various state occasions, to spend three hours a day (as his mother is said to) reading cabinet and ambassadorial papers, not to indulge in even the limited expression of views which has meant so much to

him in the past? If he wanted to give the whole thing up, I feel sure there would be few in the country who would oppose him. Indeed some commentators are suggesting that if the Queen lives for another ten or 15 years, he might step down in favour of Prince William. But, having been through what he has been through, is that really something he would wish for his son? Is it something that Prince William himself would want? And if it isn't. have we the right to inflict it on

For the tabloids - and let there be no doubt about this — are not going to let go. They have been asked by the palace to grant Charles and Diana some degree of privacy now to sort their lives out. They may for a week or two but not in the long run. They will keep their own sharp eyes and those of their informants on the estranged pair to see what new relationships each is forming and whether these are likely to lead to anything permanent And if Charles does step

down in favour of William, they will pursue that young man and his relationships with the same tenacity as they did his father. Legislation may curb the worst of their excesses, but that is about all that can be

hoped for.
The tabloids and other sections of the national press are only reflect-ing what an increasing number of ordinary people are thinking; that however likeable individual members of the royal family may be, the artificiality of the set-up has made the institution anachronistic. I think it almost

from now on the monarchy will be under siege: and that a time may come when they, as well as we, will begin to ask themselves whether the game is any longer worth the

When you ask monarchists what is wrong with a presidency, they assume you are proposing a political presidency and begin to guffaw. "Who are you going to have then? Lawson, Healey, Kinnock, Howe? they suggest sarcastically. But a political presidency would be quite wrong times the head of state has always

been above party politics. The replacement of the monarch by a non-political president would also dispose at a stroke of that other question which seems to be vexing so many - whether a divorced monarch can be Supreme Governor of the Church of England. There was a time when religion, like kingship, was one of the great forces of social cohesion. But in our plural society religious beliefs are no longer an institutional matter but an entirely private one. Such beliefs or lack of them in any potential president should have no bearing on his fitness for office.

What would be needed in a president is a non-controversial and respected figure who might be drawn from the law or the diplomatic service; figures like Lord Scarman or Lord Mackay, or distinguished former ambassadors such as Sir Anthony Adand or Sir Nicholas Henderson. I doubt if the tabloids would be much interested in their private lives.

Such a change, in perhaps 15 years or more from now, would release royalty from the burden of their unnatural and unnecessary nosition, and, of course, deprive the tabloids of a real-life soap opera for the 21st century...

It's not for me ...

FRIENDS of Michael Fabricant may be surprised by an item that heads the Mid-Staffordshire MP's Christmas list. For Fabricant is desperate to get hold of some hardcore pornography.

Not for himself, you understand.

but for the Conservative parliamentary media group which hopes to enliven the next session of Parliament by showing interested MPs an explicit compilation from Red Hot Dutch, the unauthorised European satellite channel.

Fabricant, the committee's vicechairman, and his colleagues are keen to let MPs and other interested parties determine for themselves the merits, or otherwise, of such material. None of the committee has so far seen the channel, he says. and none is a consumer of pornography. "We are serious men. Even if we had the inclination we would not have the time."

As things stand, however, even if the committee had the inclination, it does not have a tape. But not for lack of trying. It has approached the heritage department, which said it had no film. This week Fabricant wrote to the Independent Television Commission inviting a representative to attend a

Fig. 1

viewing session and help to prepare a report for government. This process would be greatly helped, of course, if the ITC would bring along the tape of Red Hot Dutch's output he believes it has.

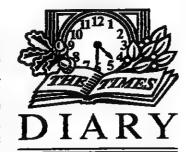
The ITC, which will not say whether it has a tape or whether it will lend it if it has, has not yet received Fabricant's letter. But it has already submitted an initial report to the heritage department describing Red Hot Dutch as "an affront to standards of good taste and decency".

Meanwhile the heritage depart-

ment has yet to decide its stand. Says a spokesman: "We have received the ITC's recommendations and are sympathetic but we are still onsidering what to do. The picture is rather fuzzy at the moment."

Missing the point

BY UNFORTUNATE coincidence, "Serbian Epics" - part of the BBC2 Bookmark series - was screened this week on the very day the American government chose to nominate, among others. Dr Radovan Karadzic, the self-styled leader of the Bosnian Serbs, as a suspected war criminal.



This would have presented few problems were it not for the fact that Karadzic was the central character in a film which was, ostensibly, designed for a literary slot. Karadzic is certainly a poet and the documentary did discuss Serbian history and culture but it has been viewed by some as a virtual party political for the Serb

Fred Barschak, of the Holocaust memorial committee of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, says the programmers should have made their audience more aware of why Karadzic had become so well

known in the past five months.
"This is hardly as a poet." he says. "It is rather like getting Heinrich Himmler to discuss the merits of vegetarianism or Adolf Hitler to discuss the influence of German nationalism on his early

paintings. They both had other sides to their characters."

Double agents

PRESIDENT Yeltsin may be confident that his reforms will survive this week's unpleasantly close encounter with the Congress of People's Deputies. Others, however,

are less sanguine.
Certainly there is little comfort to be gleaned from a recent interview with Vitaly Ignatenko, general director of Itar-Tass, the Russian news agency. In it Ignatenko makes clear what he thinks of allegations that Tass these days is largely staffed by former KGB men. Indeed he has issued a "state-

ment of journalistic principle". "Journalists must be full-time employees of the news agency and may not be full-time employees of the secret services. We have dispatched abroad some 60 new correspondents in the past year. I do not rule out that some may help the secret services on a voluntary basis and share information. But this is on a purely free-will basis. I am interested only in their work as correspondents." How reassuring.

Alcoholic decor

CHRISTIE'S may have started a new craze - antique wines, not for



SO WHAT should our political leaders read this Christmas? A straw poll of backbenchers by BBC2's Scrutiny programme has produced some in-teresting ideas. Sir Marcus Fox. left, chairman of the 1922 committee, suggests Raymond Chandler's *The Big Sleep* for John Smith; Peter Mandelson, centre, MP for Hartlepool, recommends Graham Greene's *A Burnt-Out Case* for Paddy Ashdown, while Sir David Steel, right, says Trollope's Can you Forgive Her? would suit the prime minister.

drinking but for decorating the cellar. The bottles came from a single cellar that the auction house sold yesterday for a total of £495,000 — the largest cellar Christie's had seen. Michael Broadbent, the Christie's director, says: "It's the first time we've done this. A few dozen very old bottles of claret, bur-

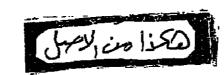
gundy and champagne had to be abandoned, the corks having failed but it seemed a pity to discard those wines and vintages of unusual in-terest and rarity whose levels were too low to guarantee drinkability but worth a risk".

Broadbent says there is a sporting chance the lucky dip wines which include vintages from the 1850s will be drinkable. "If not they can always garnish the cellar,"

ONE person who remains unaffected by Christmas spirit — not sur-prisingly, perhaps, as he eschews Christianity in favour of pantheism — is the Marquess of Bath. Frightened by a rise in the theft of Christmas trees from Longleat's 4,000 acres of forest, he has taken on a two-man all-night security team and a rottweiler. Kia, who is trained to pounce on anyone who looks like a Christmas tree thief. "I wouldn't describe her as a maneater exactly." says head forester John McHardy, "more a last resort.



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RANKING BY RESEARCH

The new league tables may be flawed, but are still worthwhile

Universities have never enjoyed scrutiny. William Emerson's 1856 account of English life noted wryly that Oxford, for all its virtues, knew "how to resist and make inoperative the terrors of parliamentary inquiry. Two months ago, the vice-chancellors reacted furiously to The Times university guide and yesterday there was much grumbling in common rooms about the research rankings published by the Universities Funding Council. The brisk breeze of glasnost is blowing through academe and is to be welcomed.

The new gradings, which for the first time include the former polytechnics are a unique map of the nation's scholarship, assessing the work of 43,000 academics in 72 subject groups at more than 150 institutions. The stakes in the exercise are high. At the top of the scale are the handful of departments scoring 5 and therefore judged to have achieved international standards. At the bottom, those that scored 1 have been branded as unworthy of any research funding. These assessments will underpin the funding council's allocation of

£650 million in February.
Harsh as this system is, it is better than the prejudices that have tended to govern perception of university performance. Few laymen would have expected, for example, that Birmingham and Birkbeck College, London, would be judged to have a stronger history department than Oxford, and both the ancient universities scored more 3s than they will feel content with.

Regular public assessment is the enemy of complacency and banishes myth. Yesterday's research rankings are part of a transformation of higher education based on accountability and market forces, tempered by a measure of central planning. As universities have expanded, their productivity has improved dramatically: since 1979, the staff-student ratio has risen from 1:9 to 1:13 and the funding council continues to offer cash bonuses to those institutions adventurous enough to take on undergraduates without full funding or to secure commercial capital for building projects.

The gradings show that universities are also concentrating their research resources on their academic strengths. Some took the gamble of entering only some of their dons for assessment. The new University of Westminster, for instance, achieved a public relations coup in its 5 for communications and media studies in this way. This is precisely the sort of risk that the new system is supposed to reward.

The danger, however, is that this sort of nuance will be lost on the public, who will undoubtedly use the rankings as an uncomplicated measure of excellence. Intellectual achievement is notoriously hard to. calibrate and there is a risk that the rankings will tend to reward quantity of work rather than quality, thus diverting dons from the civilised contact with their peers and students that forms the basis of British university life.

The methods used by the 450 assessors, locked in little cabals, are still too opaque and it is worrying that there is as yet no mechanism for appeal against their judgments. But the greatest peril of the rankings is that dons will slip into dull intellectual conformity, pressured by the abolition of tenure, the introduction of performancerelated pay, and the brutal difference between a 3 and a 2.

It should make no difference to a department's fortunes that it supports Leavis or Derrida, but there is a small risk that it will. The universities must take a lead in improving this essentially promising system from within - and remind the world that there is more to campus life than the donnish grind in the laboratory and the library.

ATROCITIES OF WAR

Evidence must be collected now of war crimes in Bosnia

The United States has been right to press the issue of war crimes as well as of war in the Balkans. The fighting in former Yugoslavia has been of the most public kind. Everyreport of an atrocity has to be investigated now with the aim of establishing individual penal responsibility.

War crimes trials should not be a substitute for other policy moves; hard talk cannot replace hard action. But the process of gathering evidence for a future trial has to begin now, while memories are still fresh.

There is already a war crimes commission reporting to the United Nations Security Council but it cannot hold trials. The UN should take the necessary steps to set up a tribunal. A sensible aim would be to prepare for a first trial for those leaders who bear the highest responsibility for the atrocities, just as Nüremberg concentrated on the major Nazi criminals at the first proceeding.

The full Nüremberg conditions - unconditional surrender, justice meted out by the victors — do not apply. For that reason, the naming by the US Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger of three men suspected of ordering war crimes was inopportune. One of those named, the Serbian president Slobodan Milosevic, may well be re-elected on Sunday, Another, Dr Radovan Karadzic, may remain as leader of the... Bosnian Serbs. America may need to negotiate with these pariahs if they emerge more chastened than defeated.

There is need for urgency, however, both in collecting evidence and in setting up the appropriate legal structures. If President Milosevic is re-elected on Sunday, there is a

strong possibility that he will try to cement a deal with Croatia, ending the war in Bosnia but effectively dismembering the republic.

That would certainly muddy the waters. Prisoners will be exchanged, amnesty granted to suspected bartlefield criminals and the line of command linking forward Serbian units to President Milosevic will become even more obscure. The Serbs, and to a lesser degree the Croats, can be expected to deny their crimes with the same cynicism that they have been perpetrating them.

Fortunately, there is now a well developed body of international law for dealing with war crimes. The Hague Conventions of 1907 and the 1929 Prisoner of War Convention did little to influence behaviour in the second world war. But the 1949 Geneva Conventions, which embodied some of the lessons from Hitler's war, are a much more refined instrument. The rules of war have never been more clearly defined.

Every Serb, Croat or Muslim commander should now be forced to think twice before engaging in combat in a civilian area. And "ethnic cleansing", that terrifying addition to the political lexicon, should be treated as a prima facie case of genocide.

Even if the trials can only be held in a few years' time, the crimes must be investigated now. The Serbian government has already said that it will not participate or help in such investigations. This should not deter Western lawyers or leaders. Neither the state of Serbia nor that of the rump Yugoslavia are being put in the dock; rather it is individuals, based on their political and military responsibility, who will be judged.

EXPLOSIONS AT BRITISH GAS

Ofgas was well within its rights to recommend a break-up

Earlier this year there were rumours that British Gas would propose a break-up of its constituent parts to pre-empt any such move. being forced on it by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission (MMC). Stockbrokers happily started to calculate the added value such a demerger would bring and the extent to which the share price would soar. Yet now that Ofgas, the industry regulator, has suggested such a move to the MMC, it is criticised for being too heavyhanded and, worst of all, for betraying British Gas shareholders.

Some tension is healthy between a regulator and a privatised industry. Cosiness would be downright suspicious. But the animus that Sir James McKinnon, Ofgas's director-general, has inspired suggests that the hostility between his office and British Gas has become close to war. British Gas is convinced that Sir James is being unnecessarily aggressive; Sir James is convinced that the company needs a serious injection of competition. It was because the two could not reach agreement over the rate of return the company could earn on its pipeline business that the MMC was called

in to adjudicate. In these circumstances, it is helpful that the MMC has become a buffer between the warring parties. Contrary to some comment, Ofgas is not trying to legislate rather than regulate. The future of the gas industry is now in the hands of the MMC. All Sir James can do is put his view to the commission. When it reports, Michael Heseltine, president of the board of trade, will have to decide

whether to enact its recommendations. Since privatisation Sir James has fought

like a terrier on behalf of consumers to keep gas prices down and to force the company to deal fairly with the few competitors it has. But, as with many other privatised monopolies, there is a limit to the extent to which a regulator can replicate competition or encourage new companies to enter a market dominated by a giant. All the logic points to a break-up. It is right, though, that such a momentous step should be decided by government, advised by the MMC, and not by a regulator on its own.

The only moral difficulty arises over the shareholders, who were promised in the prospectus (rashly, as it turns out) that the structure of the company would remain unchanged. The dilemma is sharpened because the government deliberately encouraged unsophisticated, first-time shareholders - Sid and his friends - to take up the offer. Many of these people did not even realise that share ownership was more risky than investing in a building society account.

Yet the government must weigh the interests of consumers against those of shareholders. All shareholders are exposed to market risk - both changes in the stock market and in the market for their companies' goods. But in the case of a regulated monopoly, such changes have to come from above rather than below. That was always the risk of buying a privatisation share, and the government, in the interests of maximising its revenue, did not spell it out enough.

Mr Heseltine may anyway salve his conscience. For if the analysts are right, a demerger could actually increase the price of British Gas shares. And if that happened, Sid would be as happy as Larry.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Arts in search of stronger support

From Mr George J. Levy

Sir, The Treasury is introducing the new principle of combining running costs with purchase grants for the funding of national museums and galleries (letters, December 2 and 10).

The trustees of these institutions will inevitably have to face the unenviable task of choosing between whether to repair the roof or to buy a masterpiece. The roof is bound to win, as the Treasury is only too well aware. So much for the value it attaches to the national heritage

One of the most fruitful ways of looking after this is the system of accepting works of art in lieu of tax. Recently, however, the Treasury appears to be doing its best to undermine this provision by raising constant difficulties over such matters as valua-tion with the body responsible for administering it, the Museums and Galleries Commission. The con-sequence is that owners and their agents are discouraged from making offers under this civilised scheme.

Is it not time that we heard the views of those most intimately concerned — museum trustees and the Commission?

Yours faithfully. **GEORGE J. LEVY** (Director), H. Blairman & Sons Ltd., 119 Mount Street, W1. December 15.

From Mr John Nickson and others

Sir, As was pointed out at the ABSA (Association for Business Sponsorship of the Arts) awards ceremony last week (report, December 12), less corporate money is being given to the arts this year than last. This confirms our unanimous view that income from business sponsorship and corporate membership is falling, despite recent reports of continuing growth in busi-ness support for the arts, suggesting

have recorded increases of 100 per cent or more in private sector giving during the past five years and this achievement has helped to keep the arts affoat in those years when public grants grew more slowly than the rate of inflation. However, the situation has changed dramatically in the current year.

that we are securely funded. The latest

excellent sponsorship figures (£65 million) refer to 1991-2. Many of us

Whilst business remains entirusiastic about the arts, economic circum-stances are now inhibiting commercial sponsorship; the arts cannot be immune from recession. Nevertheless, we believe it should be a matter of public record that the arts are threatened on three fronts: box office is affected by lower discretionary spending: sponsorship is falling; and the government has announced reduced grants to the arts.

We shall continue to do all we can to stimulate private-sector support; but no one should underestimate the impact of reducing any aspect of the plural funding equation.

Yours faithfully. JOHN NICKSON (English National Opera), GRISELDA BEAR (Royal Academy Trust). MOIRA BENNETT (London Symphony Orchestra), FELICITY CLARK SUSAN DAVENPORT (The Royal Shakespeare Company SALLY MASON (Victoria & Albert Museum) JOSE PHILLIPS RICHARD SHAW (English National Ballet), LUCY STOUT (Royal National Thearre), CLAIRE WHITAKER

Health and over-50s

From Mr Kevin Connealy

Sir, ARP Over 50 (Association of Retired Persons) applauds the call by Professor Grimley Evans (article, December 7) for tougher guidelines to prevent opted-out hospitals from refusing potentially life-saving treatment to the over 50s.

We are running a campaign against discrimination in the treatment of older people within the National Health Service, and we kore the fact that, accordin Professor Evans, a recent survey has shown that of the 175 coronary care units a fifth had age-related admission policies, and two-fifths had put age limits on who should have

clot-busting drugs.

ARP Over 50 has more than 125,000 members and represents the social and economic needs of the 18 million people over 50 in the UK. We are holding the inaugural meeting of our Anti-Age Discrimination Group at the House of Commons on April 27, 1993, sponsored by Winston

Churchill, MP. We have the support of more than 100 MPs and MEPs of all parties. including Angela Rumbold, Sir Teddy Taylor, Charles Kennedy, Glenda Jackson and David Blunkett.

Yours faithfully, KEVIN CONNEALY (Director of Communications), ARP Over 50. Greencoat House Francis Street, SW1. December 7.

Courts charter

From Mr Anthony Temple, QC

Sir, I have recently received a glossy 16-page "courts charter" from the Lord Chancellor's Department. Without explanation the two-and-a-half pages devoted to civil business refer only to the county court and ignore the higher civil courts. Presumably this is because the service now provided in the High Court - and especially the Commercial Court, in which delays and the absence of fulltime judges are now scandalous - is acknowledged to be so poor that no standards can be advanced.

If there are to be standards in the higher civil courts they should have been expressed in the charter. The first should be a commitment by the government to the provision of sufficient full-time judges to give the public the quality service that it

Yours faithfully ANTHONY TEMPLE, 4 Pump Court, Temple, EC4. December 4.

Du Maurier letters

From Ms Margaret Forster Sir, It is time to call a halt to the latest

space of rumours about my forthcoming biography of Daphne du Maurier treport, December 14).
I wish to state that I have never, at

any time, read or seen any letter written by Daphne du Maurier to Gertrude Lawrence or indeed by Gertrude Lawrence to Daphne du Maurier. If such letters exist I would of course he fascinated to examine

MARGARET FORSTER. e/o Chano & Windus. 20 Vauxhall Bridge Road, SW1.

From Mrs B. N. Mazumdar

London Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, WC2.

Sir, I was appalled to read that optedout trusts may shou the over-50s. We don't need an Act of Parliament to make euthanasia legal if hospitals are taking this attitude.

We all have one life. Why should that be unnecessarily curtailed because hospital trusts are "eager to make a profit"? What a position it puts the medical profession into. A doctor is trained to make people better, no matter what the age, and to improve the quality of life of those not come for the populace to say:

"Enough is enough"? To get what we pay for may be a fine concept, but who put us in this position? The government reduced income tax because of its philosophy but many surveys have indicated that the average person is quite prepared to pay a little more tax to maintain a better health service. Not everyone has the means to "buy" an extension to life through private medicine.

The idea that if you put income tax into the hands of individuals and then tell them to pay for what they need from their pockets is a philosophy of the days when lords surveyed and the common peasants went on their knees. We are adult enough these days to understand the basic rules of insurance and that is what the health service is, or used to be, all about,

Yours faithfully JOAN MAZUMDAR, Craven Tor, 24 Langdon Fields, Galmoton, Brixham, Devon.

Addresses in code From Mr Peier Sutcliffe

Sir, Gone are the days when telephone books listed correct postal

addresses Our 1992 local directory is prefaced by a letter from the self-styled Phone Book Manager, who tells us that postcodes are included by arrangement with the Post Office. I could not find a single postcode

entry, although our 1990 edition was full of them. If the Royal Mail wants to make life

easier it should press for all directories to include postcodes. The omission in our book looks like an unresolved dispute between BT and the Post

Yours faithfully, PETER SUTCLIFFE. Roughlow Farm, Tarporley, December 9.

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From Miss Alison Elliott

Sir. Do most from en feel the urge to throw away the sports pages? Lynne Truss (article, December 15) suggests that we do, and that we rush for alternative activity when the subject is announced on radio or television.

I would not say I was obsessional (except, perhaps, when it comes to cricket) but I am interested in many sports. Unlike Ms Truss, I do ensure that my hair-dryer never clashes with those vital three minutes on the Today programme at 7.25 or 8.25, and I looked forward enormously to last Sunday's review of the year's sporting activities on television.

Even as a non-voter, and with no particular knowledge of motor racing,

Counsel's role when clients plead

From Professor Michael Zander

Sir. Professor Michael McConville and Mr Lee Bridges (lener, December 15) ask whether it is contrary to the ethics of the Bar to allow a client to plead guilty when he has reason to doubt the client's guilt and thinks the plea is being entered solely to take advantage of the sentence discount

given for a guilty plea.

Their concern arises from a finding reported in my recent lecture on preliminary results of the Crown Court Survey conducted for the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice (report, December 9). We found that there were 53 cases in two weeks (representing something over 1,000 a year) in which the defence barrister said he had a concern that the client might have been an innocent person pleading guilty to get a sentence

Closer inspection, however, shows that this statistic is probably not as worrying as it first appears.

In quite a number of these cases the defence barrister indicated that in his view the prosecution had strong, and in some cases overwhelming, evidence. In those cases the barrister was apparently dissociating himself from the client's claim of innocence. In some the barrister said he started out by thinking the client might have been innocent but eventually accepted that he was not.

Many of the defendants were claiming to be not guilty in relation to only one of several charges. At least 34 of the 53 had previous criminal records - in many cases very long

The defendants responded to our questionnaire in only 14 of the 53 cases. But in 13 out of the 14 they expressed themselves well satisfied with the work done by the barristers. Certainly there were cases in which the guilty plea was influenced by the sentence discount. Provided the defendant is guilty, this is the whole point of the sentence discount. The fear of course is that some innocent persons may also be tempted to plead guilty

because of it. I doubt whether any but a tiny number of the 53 cases in the Royal Commission's study would qualify as even possible cases of wholly innocent defendants pleading guilty.

MICHAEL ZANDER. **London School of Economics** and Political Science, Houghton Street, WC2. December 17.

From Mr Robert Rhodes, QC

Sir, Professor McConville and his assistant, Mr Bridges, should have checked with the Bar Council before troubling your readers with the ques-tion of supposed breach of ethics by defence barristers who do not "prevent the entry of a guilty plea" where they "have doubt" about their client's guilt

or do not withdraw from the case. The position is set out clearly in the Bar's code of conduct:

Where a defendant tells his counsel that he Where a defendant tells his counsel that he did not commit the offence with which he is charged but nevertheless insists on pleading guilty to it for reasons of his own. counsel must continue to represent him, but only after he has advised what the consequences will be and that what can be submitted in mitigation can only be on the hasis that the others is called. basis that the client is guilty.

In cases where a defendant insists on pleading guilty, despite any doubts his counsel may have as to his guilt, there is no "failure to comply with professional codes of ethics" for the Bar Council to investigate. On the contrary, it could be a breach of the code were counsel to withdraw from

Yours faithfully, ROBERT RHODES. 2 Crown Office Row, Temple, EC4.

Identification of babies

From Mrs S. A. Roberson

Sir. While Professor Bevan's ingenious idea of a thumbprint fletter, December 7) may reduce the chances of sending home a baby with the wrong parents, it does not overcome the fundamental problem of the separation of the baby from the evidence which identifies it.

The only sure means of identification is one which cannot be parted from the child except with considhave used invisible materials, read by ultra-violet scanners, for identification on plastic cash cards. Tattoos on the soles of the feet, making use of similar materials, would not be visible unless required.

A name on one foot, and a number on the other, using an instrument which simultaneously feeds the in-formation into a database, should be as near foolproof as one could hope

Yours sincerely SALLY ROBERSON. 15 Heathfield Road.

Croydon, Surrey.

From Mrs B. J. Boissevain

Sir, My second child was born in March 1955 in a small nursing

Lotteries and EC

From the Director of the

Advisory Forum on Gambling Sir. Your leading article on the national lottery (December 11) implies that from January 1 Britain will be flooded by foreign lottery tickets because of the single market

As confirmed at the Edinburgh summit, the single market does not cover gambling, as this is a matter reserved for individual governments. on the grounds of national morality and public policy. The European Commission has been told by virtually every member state that they have no wish to see gambling harmonised, and those which run national lotteries have been strongest in insisting that frontiers stay up to keep out their

neighbours' lottery tickets. In addition, if foreign lottery promoters attempt to distribute tickets in Britain, the Home Office makes representations to the governments of the countries in question, and seizes and destroys the promotional ma-

RICHARD FAULKNER, Director, The Advisory Forum on Gambling.

7 Buckingham Gare, SW1.

I felt that Nigel Mansell was a splendid choice as the BBC TV Sports Personality of the Year. Surely, any-one who earns the title world champion" merits a little generosity of spirit. And - for the record - the sports pages are frequently the first I

turn to in The Times. Yours faithfully, ALISON ELLIOTT. 9b Barnsbury Terrace, Islington, N1. December 16.

> Sports letters, page 32 Business letters, page 23

Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be faxed to 071-782 5046. home. There were approximately 12 beds, of which perhaps three or lour were reserved for maternity cases.

In spite of the extreme unlikelihood of a mix-up, it was the custom, immediately after birth, to take the mother's thumbprint and the baby's footprint and stamp them on the same card, together with details of date, name, sex and birth weight. So this simple procedure, now being introduced at Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham, is not new.

Incidentally, the card is a charming souvenir of the baby's arrival, and still treasure mine.

Yours faithfully, BARBARA J. BOISSEVAIN. Kitlands, Heath Drive, Walton-on-the-Hill, Tadworth, Surrey.

From Mr Roger Green

Midlands police"

Sir, Can Professor Bevan answer two simple questions? How can a baby's thumbprint prove who its mother is: Why is the thumbprinting of bables being "actively pursued by the West

Your rather mixed-up servant, ROGER GREEN, 17 Rowland Close, Wolvercote, Oxford.

French predicament

From Mr L. P. Bayley

Sir, I have enormous sympathy for the French, in their predicament, which has resulted from the Gan agreement. French rural society was remark-ably little affected by the consequences of the Industrial Revolution until well after the second world war.

The change came with calamitous auddenness and has resulted in the virtual abandonment of hundreds of villages all over France, and the arrival in the cities of a whole generation of men and women whose youth was spent and whose roots remain deep in a provincial world in many ways unchanged for a century or more, one might almost say since

the French Revolution. It says a great deal for French courage and resilience that they have handled this traumatic development so well. The protesting farmers must lose, and they know it. Recent demonstrations at Strasbourg and elsewhere are in reality no more than a lament for the passing of an ancient and precious element of our European history.

Yours faithfully L. P. BAYLEY, 79a Gloucester Street, Winchcombe, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Dates in mind

From Mr Michael Webber

Sir. Can I be the only person in England who neither knows, nor cares, what he was doing when he heard that President Kennedy or John Lennon had been murdered (report, December 16)? On the other hand, I do remember where I was when I heard of the deaths of "Fais" Waller in 1943 (buying Melody Maker in the Market Square, Northampion) and George VI in 1952 (on a bus in Tottenham Court Road). Just different priorities. I suppose.

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL WEBBER, 19 Netherhall Gardens, NW3



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 17: His Excellency Teuku Mohammad Hadi Thayeb and Siti Hadi Thayeb were re-ceived in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Indonesia to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency Monsieur Edouard Molitor and Madame Molitor were received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to the Court of St James's

His Excellency Mr Surya Prasad. Shrestha was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary, and Plenipotentiary from the King of Nepal to the Court of St James's His Excellency was accompa-nied by the following members of the Embassy: Mr Madhab Prasad Khanal (Counsellor), Colonel Lili Jung Gurung (Military Attache), Mr Keshab Thaku (Attaché) and Mr Gopi Lamichhane (Anaché). Mrs Shrestha was also received

by Her Majesty. Sir David Gillmore (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Mr Stanley Martin was received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Assistant Mar-shal of the Diplomatic Corps when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order. The Queen beld a Council at

12.50pm. There were present the Rt Hon. Antony Newton, MP (Lord President), the Lord Wakeham (Lord Privy Seal), the Rt Hon Sir Patrick Mayhew, MP (Secretary of State for Northern Ireland), the Rt Horr Michael Heseltine, MP (Secretary of State for Trade and Industry), the Rt Hon Archibald Hamilton, MP (Minister of State, Ministry of Defence) and the Rt Hon Alastair Goodlad, MP (Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth

Mr Nigel Nicholls was in attendance as Clerk of the Council. The Rt Hon Antony Newton, MP, had an audience of The Oueen before the Council.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 17: The Duke of York, Regiment (Prince of Wales's), this morning attended a Gulf Medal Presentation Parade at Chester Castle and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Licutement for Cheshire (Mr William Bromley-

His Royal Highness, this afternoon opened the new extension to TOWN IN Captain Rupert Maidand-Titterton was in attendance.

Edward, Chairman, The Duke of Amendment, 1865. Edinburgh's Award Special "Pilindown Main" was discovered Will Projects Group, this afternoon by Charles Dawson, Sussex, 1912. 60.

attended the Christmas Lunch of the Pacific Asia Travel Association United Kingdom Chapter at the London Marriott Hotel, 10-Grosvenor Square, London Wi. Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 17: The Princess Royal, Patron, British Institute of Sports Coaches Limited, today presented the United Kingdom Coach of the Year Awards at the Cafe Royal, 68

Regent Street, London W1. Her Royal Highness, President, British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, afterwards visited Gabicci plc, Gabicci House, Humber Road, London NW2, and Link-Up Limited, the Edge Business Centre, Humber Road.

The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke

KENSINGTON PALACE December 17: The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this morning received the Secretary of the Duchy of Cornwall (Mr David

His Royal Highness afterwards attended the Age Resource Awards Ceremony and Reception to mark the launch of the United Kingdom celebrations of the European Year Older People and Solidarity Between Generations 1993 in the White Room, Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London SW1. Miss Belinda Harley was in YORK HOUSE

December 17: The Duchess of Kent this evening attended the Annual Christmas Celebration at Westminster Cathedral, London

Mrs Colin Marsh was in

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Charles Wesley, preacher and hymn writer, Epworth, Lincolnshire, 1707; Jo-seph Grimaldi, clown, London, 1779; Abraham Vikmr Rydberg, philosopher and poet, Jönköping weden, 1828; Edward Mac-Dowell, composer, New York, 1861; Hector Hugo Munto "Saki"), writer, Akyab, Burma, 1870; Sir Joseph John Thomson, physicist, Nobel laureste 1906, Manchester, 1856; Francis Thompson, poet, Preston, 1859; Paul Klee, painter, Bern, Switzerland, 1879; Betty Grable, actress. St Louis, Missouri, 1916; Prince William of Gloucester, Barnet, Hertfordshire, 1941.

DEATHS: Antonio Stradivari, violin maker, Cremons, Italy, 1737; Alexander Adam, educator, Edinburgh, 1809; Thomas Dumham Whitaker, topographer, Black-burn, 1821; Jean Baptiste de Lamarck, naturalist, Park, 1829; Samuel Rogers, poet, London, 1855; Sir Richard Owen, biologist, Newtown, Powys, 1858; Sir John Alcock, avistor, killed in an air crash, Cottevard, France, 1919; Ribert Tyre (Bobby) Jones, Timerton was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
December 17: The Prince golfer, Atlanta, Georgia, 1971.

America officially abolished slavery with the ratification of the 13th



Liquid asset: Steven Norris, the London transport minister, took to HMS Belfast yesterday to announce a research project into increasing the use of the Thames. "The Thames is potentially one of London's greatest transport arteries and I believe we are not using it to anything like its full potential," he said

Today's royal engagements

The Prince of Wales, as Patron of the Sue Ryder Home, will open the new day centre at Leckhampton Court, Church Road, Leck-hampton at 2.30.

The Princess Royal will open Messrs Matthew Algie's new fac-tory and office in Glasgow at 9.40; as Patron of Chizens Advice Scotland, will visit the Glasgow Central Bureau, Hellenic House, 87 Bath Street, at 10.40; will visit Daks-Simpson, the Industrial Estate Larkhall, at noon; and, as Patron of the College of Occupational Therapists, will open the occupational therapy department at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Yorkhill, Glasgow, at 2.30.

Birthdays today

Field Marshal Lord Bramail, KG, 69. Miss Frances Crook, director, Howard League for Penal Reform. 40, Lieutenant-Commander I.E. Fraser, VC, 72, Mr Christopher Fry, dramatist, 85, Pamela Lady Harlech, 58, Professor M.J. Harri-son, vice chancellor and director, Wolverhampton University, 51, Miss Rosemary Leach, actress, 57, Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, MP, 67, Lord Merlyn-Rees, 72, Mr J.C.S. Mott, civil engineer, 66, Mr Albert Pacty, chief constable, Gloucestershire, 54, Miss Annette Page, ballerina, 60, Dr Joyce Reynolds, Roman historian, 74, Mr Keith Richard, Rolling Stones' guitarist, 49, Lord Robers of Woldingham,

82, the Earl of Shrewsbury, 40, Mr Steven Spielberg, film maker, 45, Mr Joe Wade, trades unionist, 73, the Right Rev R.K. Williamson, Bishop of Southwark,

Dinners

Royal Society of St George Frank Hohoyd, president of the society, was the host. Mr Alasdair The Lord Mayer and Lady May-oress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the Cumming also spoke. European Atlantic Group Christmas dinner of the City of London branch of the Royal The Chinese Ambassador, accompanied by Mrs Ma Jichun, was the speaker at a dinner of the

Society of St George held last night at the National Weaminger Hall. European-Atlantic Group held last Dr Peter Hardwick, chairman of night at the St Ermin's Hotel. Viscount Montgomery of Ala-mein, chairman, Lord Geddes and the council, presided and Major-General Christopher Tyler pro-posed the toast to "England and St Lord Madehose of Beoch, KT, also George". A message from The Queen, patron of the society, was Dr Geoffrey H. Buchler A dinner was held at the House of Commons on December 16, sponread out. The Lord Mayor and the read out. The Lord Mayor and the Rev Basil Watson also spoke. Among others present were: Sir William and Lady Shapland, the Recorder of London and Mr Verney, Mr Adderman and Mrs Chie Martin, Mr Oepung Bernard I. Mongan (branch presidend, the Chairman of the Royal Society of St Genrie, the President of the Gry Livery Club and Mrs Fraser, the Master of the Guild of Freemen of the City Livery Club and Mrs Fraser, the Master of the Guild of Freemen of the City Livery Club and Mrs Remp and members of the Court of Common Council of the Corporation of London.

soxed by Mr Niri Joseph Deva, MP. (Member for Brentford and isleworth) on behalf of Sun Alli-ance Insurance Group. Speeches were made by the host, Dr Geof-frey H. Buchier, Mr Nirj Deve, MP, and Dr David Mitchell, CBE.

Mr Mariyn David, Mr Clive Flawies, Mr and Mrs Ian Henderson, Mr Graham Lancaster, Mr Peter Linghorn, Mr Stephan Narian, Mr Cliver Rothschild, Mr David Shaw,

University news

Honorary degrees were awarded to the following last week: Miss Betty Boothroyd, the first

Royal Aeronautical Society

Mr Philip M. Condit delivered the

Wilbur and Orville Wright lecture

to the Royal Aeronantical Society

at a dinner held last night at 4 Hamilton Place. Air Marshal Sir

woman Speaker of the House of Kathleen Dayus, writer, Master of Arts, Mr Andy Hamilton, Birmingham iszz musician and band leader, Master of Arts, Mr Denis Hills, travel writer, Doctor of Letters; Professor Maurice Wilkins, winner of the Nobel Prize for Medicine, Doctor of Science.

Appointment Professor B.A. de B. Bradley to a Personal Chair as Professor of Transplantation Sciences ssors M.N.R. Ashfold and B. Vincent to Chairs in Chemistry. Dr G.L. Quarini to the ICI Chair in Process Engineering. He is currently Manager of Computa-tional Fluid Dynamics Group, Aerospace and Process Technol-ogy Division at the Atomic Energy

Luncheons

Army Board Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother was the guest of honour at a luncheon given yesterday by the Executive Committee of the Army Board at the Officers' Mess, the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery. Those present were:

General Sir Peter Inge, General Sir David Ramsbotham, General Sir John Learmont, General Sir John Waters, General Sir Charles Guthrie, Lieutenant-General Sir Jeremy Backer, Mr Moray Stewart and Major-General Roger Wheeler.

National Sporting Club Mr Bob Willis, Chairman of the National Sporting Club, presided at a huncheon held yesterday at the Case Royal on behalf of the Gladstone Small Testimonial Fund. Mr Gladstone Small was the guest of honour. Mr Lance Percival also spoke.

The Royal Society of Chemistry

The following were admitted as Fellows of the Royal Society of Chemistry on December 4, 1992. They are entitled to use the designation "Chartered Chemist" and the letters CChem FRSC. and the letters CChem FRSC.

I VArnold, M. Fanier, J.S. Burnier, J.S.

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Inner Temple

The following have been elected Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple: Jeremy Roberts, David Clarke, QC, Nell Butterfield, QC.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N.J. Bowden and Miss V.M. Black The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of Captain and Mrs Rodney Bowden, of Titchfield, Hampshire, and Victoria, younger daughter of the late Mr John K. Black and of Mrs Martin Jones and stepdaughter of Colonel Martin Jones, of Bagendon,

Mr CC Brun and Miss V.T. Jarrens The engagement is announced between Colin Charles, elder son of Mr Clifford Brim, of Surbiton, Surrey, and Mrs Joan Choate, of Guildford, Surrey, and Vanessa Tweedy, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Jarman, of West Horsley, Surrey.

Glovestershire

Mr J.G.B.A. Coldstream and Miss F. Kelsey
The engagement is announced
between Justin, eldest son of Patrick Coldstream, of Islington,

and Jenifer Rowntree, of Middleton Stoney, and Frances, only daughter of Kenneth and Judith Kelsey, of Church Broughton. Mr C.J. Dell and Miss A-M. Sis The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of the

Ven R.S. and Mrs Dell, of Littleover, Derbyshire, and Anne-Marie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.L. Simmons, of Ingrave,

Mr P.E. Dickimon and Miss B.D. Furneaux-Harris The engagement is announced between Peter, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Dickinson, of Gosbeck, Suffolk, and Belinds, eldest daughter of Lieutenant-Colone! Edward Furneaux-Harris, of Brussels, and Mrs Sally West, of Lyminge, Kent. Mr T.S.S. Johnson

and Miss C.E. Hopkins The engagement is announced between Tucker, eldest son of Mr and Mrs James Johnson, o Pottersville, New Jersey, and Charlotte, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs Derek Hopkins, of East Farndon, Northampton-

Dr A.J. MacGregor and Dr C.M. Reavies The engagement is announced between Alexander, son of the laze Professor A.J. MacGregor and of Mrs M.E. MacGregor, of Knaresborough, North Yorkshire, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C. Reaviey, of The

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The Rev Howard Smith, Vieur, St. Ann.,
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Leesfield (atanchester).
The Rev Susan Staff, Parish Descon,
All Saints, Mickleow Derby: to be
Parish Deacon, St. William,
Walderstade, Chatham (Rochester).
The Rev Andrew Walker, Santor
Chrate, St. John's Wood (London): to be
Vieur, St. Peter, Streatham (Southwark).

The Raw Gerald Brough, Vicar, Bestran w Franchum and Buretten-on-Dunsmore w Franchum and Buretten-on-Dunsmore w Franchorpe (Coverny): to retter as from Russuy 31, 1993.

The Raw Remard Harris, Vicar, Sedgley All Saints (Lichtleid): to retter as from January 31, 1993.

The Raw Robert Index, Vicar, Stantington (York): retired as from November 30.

Mr M.B. McHugh

and Miss C.A. Forbes The engagement is announced between Michael, twin son of Mr J. McHugh, of Texas and Mrs D. Maloney, of Indiana, USA, and Camilla, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs A.E. Forbes, of Payhembury. Devon.

VIK

Mr W.D.C. Mountain and Miss E.V.G. Mitchell The engagement is announced between William, younger sun of Sir Denis and Lady Mountain, of The Manor, Morestead, Hampshire, and Emma, daughter of Commander and Mrs Patrick Mitchell, of Choricywood, Henfordshire.

Mr N.J. Parish and Miss J.V. Crawford The engagement is announced between Nigel elder son of the Rev G.R. and Mrs Parish, of Sunninghill, Berkshire, and Jane, daughter of Mrs F. Crawford, of Ballyclare, County Antrim.

Mr R.E. Scott and Miss J. Watson
The engagement is announced between Rupert Eldon, elder son of Mr and Mrs D.E. Scott, of Encombe House Warcham, Dorset, and Juliet Anne, younger Dorset, and Juliet Anne. younger daughter of the late Mr Robin Watson and of Mrs Watson, of Ashmore, Dorset.

Mr W.P.H. Tatham Mr W.P.H. Tatham
and Miss V.H. Vigar
The engagement is announced
from Hong Kong, between
William, only son of Captain and
Mrs Richard Tatham, of
Twickenham, and Vanessa, only
daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Vigar, of Witchampton, Dorset.

Mr J.P. Weatherall and Miss K.M. St Clair-Ford The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Weatherall, of Purky, Surrey, and Kate, elder daught of Mr and Mrs Colin St Clair-Ford, of Port of Menteith. Pentshire.

Marriages

Mr D. Holt and Miss C. Holt The marriage took place yesterday at Cambridge Register Office between David and Christl Holt. Mr D. Urqqbart

and Mrs J. Abbott The marriage took place in Gibraltar on December 10, between Donald Urguhart, of Madrid and Jane Abbott (née Gaunt).

Church news

Royal Society of St George

The following have been elected officers of the Royal Society of St George for the ensuing year: President, Sir A. Colin Cole; Chairman, Mr. George R.A. Andrews; Vice-Chairman, Mr. Derek L. Andrews; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Keith A. Heywood; Honorary Registrar, Mr. Nigel L. Blood; General Secretary, Mrs. M. Minsult-lines.

Appointment

Sir John Weston, the UK representative on the North Atlantic Council at Brussels, to be also the UK representative on the Permanent Council of the Western Euro-

TEL: 071 481 4000

DEATHS

PERSONAL COLUMN

FAX: 071 481 9313

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grandmouter of rottones, Ann Marie, Tanya and Philip, Family burial at Stroud Cemelery, Glos. Enquiries to Mr N.C. Hoster, J. Edwards & Son (Fuceral Directors), 13 St. George's Want Warefoodlie Hunts, PO7 7TU tel: (0705) 262194.

ARLOW Op 16th December 1992, at the Piterim Hospital, Boston, Liscolashire, Dr. Christopher John Barlow, aged 62 years, of Keelby, Liscolamore Bervice at S. Peter's Church, Great Limber, Monday December 21st at 2 pm followed by grivate crepation. Flowers may be sent to Kettle Ltd., 138 Grasville, Street 135 Grasville. Brest.

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pacatully at Winchester
Hospital. Funeral private.
Thanksgiving Service in the
New Year. Donations to The
Girl Guides Association. Girl Guides Association, 17/19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W OPT. CROWTHER - Denys James. On December 16th 1992, of Sale Chesture Bullet On December 16th 1992 of Sale. Describe Black of District Black of Christopher and Julian, stepfather of Ingrid and Christopher, deer faitherniew of Land and June ma a loving granded. Service and committal at Altrinchem Crematorium on Tuesday. Crematorium on Tuesday December 22nd at 2 pm Family flowers only but donations if desired to Neil Cliffe Cancer Care Centre. Wythenshawe Hospital. All donations and enquiries to R.E. Jones Ltd., NAFD, Tel: (061) 973-1536. de GERLACHE de GOMERY

On December 16th, at
home in London, Philippe.
Baren de Gerlache, beloved husband of Yvonne and pulber of Jess: A Memorial Service will be held in Lundon later. Limiton taler.

DELBEKE On 16th December at Salisbury General infirmary: after a short illness. Guy Leon Julian, greatly loved husband. Iather and grandischer. Funeral Service at Salisbury Crematorium, Tuesday 22nd December at 10.30 am. Family Rowers only but donations. If destred, to Raduor Ward Fund c/o LN. Newman Funeral Directors, 56 Winchester Street. brother for Harriet. DEATHS BANNISTER - On December 14th, Gerda Marie. 1964 86, peacefully at Lordington Park Nursing Home. Chichester. Widow of Don. tearly loved mother of Peter. Lotte and Heien and grandmother of Nicholas. Ann Marie. Tanya and winchester Street. Salisbury. SP1 1HL.

FOSTER - On 11th December FOSTER - On 11th December 1992, peacefully at the North Devon District Hospital. Pat of South Molton, Funeral Service at South Molton Purch Church on Mouday 21st December at 10 am followers only please may be sent to J Westacott & Son Purch Director. 24 West Street. South Molton.

DEATES missed by everybody.

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DEATHS NEAD - On 18th December 1992. John Andrew of Quorn, Leicestershire, passed away peacefully. Loving father of Charles and Elsyne, Gary, Adam and Claire. With fondest memories. He will be greatly missed by its family and friends. His fumeral service is to be held at 2 pm on Tuesday 22nd December at Loughborough Cramaiorfum Charles Former Commission of Surgery. University of Leicester, C/o G. Gamble & Sons List. Fumeral Directors, 101 Meeting Street, Quorn, Leicestershire, bel: (0809), 415416.

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SIR ALASTAIR **BLAIR-KERR**

Sir Alastair (William Alexander) Blair-Kerr, former judge in Hong Kong, the Caribbean. Gibrahar and Bermuda died on December 1, his 81st birthday. He was born on December !,

ALASTAIR Blair-Kerr escaped in a rowing boat when the Japanese invaded Singa-pore in early 1942, leading 14 others to safety through a minefield in the Straits of Sumatra.

As a young lawyer, serving as a sergeant in the Straits Settlements Volunteer Force, he was warned by his commanding officer that the British were preparing to surrender and that those who could get away were free to do so. Seizing a dinghy from the harbour, he and the others rendezvoused on the beach at 2 am, when he briefed them

on the dangers lying ahead.
"Don't come with me." he warned them, "unless you are sure it is better than imprison-ment under the Japs." Only

one man dropped out.
Blair-Kerr had time only to get married on the beach while the Japanese bombs fell around them, before his party, including his bride, set off through the darkness and began a hazardous voyage through the mines, paddling from one small island to another, foraging for food in the abandoned bungalows and plantations, until they reached Sumatra.

There they hired a junk and sailed round the island to Padang on the west coast, already crowded with refugees and survivors, where they were given shelter by the Dutch authorities before Blair-Kerr was evacuated by the British to

Commissioned into the Indian Army he served as a staff captain, first in Bombay, then in Poona. Transferred to London in 1944 he spent 12 months in the War Office before returning to the Far

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East at the end of the war as an army lawyer.

He had come a long way from his native Perthshire, where he was born William Alexander Blair Kerr, the son of a stationmaster of the same name at Kinbuck on the banks Allan Water, near

Dunblane. To avoid confusion with his father, however, he was always known as Alastair and when he was knighted in 1973 he had his name changed by deed poll, adding

a hyphen at the same time.
Young Alastair went to
McLaren High School,
Callander, then to Edinburgh University where he read law qualifying first as a solicitor in 1939. The decision on a legal career was a close one. A gifted boy violinist who was broadcasting on the BBC when only 11, he nearly became a profes sional musician.

As it was he had no money when he qualified and he left for the Far East to seek his fortune, first working as secretary on a rubber plantation

before finding himself a law-yer's post in Singapore. His legal career took off after the war. Without a job on being demobilised from the army, he applied for a legal position in the Colonial Ser-vice. They offered him a choice of Nigeria or Hong Kong. He chose the latter and began there as a magistrate in 1946.

He became a Crown counsei three years later, senior crown counsel in 1953, a district judge in 1959, puisne judge in the Supreme Court from 1961 until 1971 and senior puisne judge, 1971-73, afterwhich he renred.

Five years after settling back in his home village, however, Blair-Kerr was back in court. He was invited to become president of the Court of Appeal for the Baharnas, Belize, the Turks and Cacos Islands and Bermuda.

in 1981 he became a member of the Court of Ap-peal for Gibraltar for five years, But he continued as president of the Bermuda appeal court until 1989 when, aged 77, he retired for health

A quiet, reserved Scot with a strongly developed sense of public duty, Blair-Kerr was a great walker who, despite being terrified of heights, was once president of a mountaineering dub in Hong Kong. He also retained his love of music, although he did not keep up his violin playing. Without time to practise, he

could not bear to play it badly. His wife, from whom he was legally separated in 1958, died two years ago and he is survived by their son and daughter.

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Kenneth Irving, a leading Canadian industrialist and one of the western world's richest men, died in hospital at Saint John. New Brunswick, on Sunday, aged 93. He was born at Buctouche, NB, on March 14, 1899. THE spare, hard-driving. publicity-shy Kenneth Colin Irving, known as KC to generations of New Brunswickers, built an industrial empire almost staggering in its diver-sity. It embraced more than 300 individual companies in fields that ranged from oil marketing, refining and transportation, to newspapers, radio and television, to pulp and paper, trucking, bus lines, cement manufacturing, and ship building.
According to the American magazine Forbes the Irving family is the 18th richest in the world, with assets of more than C\$5-billion (some estimates put the figure closer to C\$7-billion).

> da, and Maine and New Hampshire in nearby New England — prompted a biographer to describe him as "a metaphor for unchecked cor-

porate power." One of the family enterprises, Saint John Shipbuilding, is the prime contractor for a C\$9-billion fleet of 12 frig-

ates now being constructed for the Canadian Navy. After attending school in

Buctouche, a small town on the Northumberland Strait where his father owned a store and a lumber mill, Irving attended university in Nova Scotia but dropped out after two years to join the Royal Flying Corps. He was still in training when the first world war ended and afterwards he went into business in Buctouche selling Model T

Within a few years he opened the first station of what was to become a network of 3,000 retail gasoline outlets. Later on he acquired a fleet of tankers to import foreign crude oil, and built a refinery at Saint John to refine it. Then he acquired control of a Saint John dry dock to repair the tankers. He also bought up. successively, all the daily newspapers in New Brunswick's three major cities — Saint John, Moncton and Frederic-ton. He rounded out his media repertoire with a string of radio and television acquisi tions. Another famous New Brunswicker, his friend, the late Lord Beaverbrook, once asked the frugal and austere KC what he did for entertainment. "You don't wench, you don't smoke, you don't drink. What do you do?" The reply:

For the last 21 years Irving had left the running of his huge empire largely to his three sons, John, James and Arthur, and lived in the Bahamas and finally Bermuda - to escape paying Canadian taxes. according to popular

theory. He was on a Christmas visit back to Saint John when he suddenly took ill. In addition to his sons he is survived by his second wife, Winnifred, whom he married in 1978 after his first wife died.

ARCHBISHOP TIMOTHY OLUFOSOYE

Archbishop Timothy Olufosoye, the first Anglican Archbishop of Nigeria, has died in Nigeria His date of birth was not recorded but he was believed to be between 75 and

In Canada, they are be-

lieved to be the second in

wealth only to the family of

Ken Thomson the Toronto-based publisher. One in 12

workers in New Brunswick, a relatively poor province of 750,000 and Canada's Atlan-

tic region, is employed by one or another of the Irving family

enterprises.

The immensity of Irving's holdings'— the family owns title to nearly 10 per cent of New Brunswick's land mass.

as well as extensive tracts in

other parts of Atlantic Cana-

THE name Olufosoye means "the great chief expands" and was acquired by Timothy Olufosoye's grandfather who had 45 wives. Olufosoye's father, however, became a Christian.

It was Bishop Vining, later Archbishop of West Africa, who noticed Timothy Omotayo Olufosoye as a young teacher and recognised his potential. He saw him through ordination, despite the disapproval of some of the older clergy who had been ordained only after long apprenticeship.

Olufosoye had inherited the chieftainship of his tribe but had to relinquish this on ordination (in favour of his son). His wife, Joan, who was a splendid support to him through the years, later became a chief in her own right

Olufosoye's progress was rapid. Within six years he was vicar of the cathedral church of Ondo, his native city. The following year (1953) he was sent to England for further experience, joining the staff of St Helens Parish Church for



some months. He was a great favourite with the warm-hearted Lancashire folk. Bus conductors refused to take his fare, people asked if he might baptise their babies, and one couple asked him to marry them - involving special permis-

sion from the Archbishop of Canterbury. Olufosoye was an assiduous visitor in the district assigned to him, and fined in most happily to the parochial staff. From St Helens he went on to Sheffield Cathedral for a while.

He travelled widely after that: to Japan in connection with Sunday Schools promotion, for which Tokyo gave him an honorary DD; to British Columbia where he studied and gained the degree of Scholar in Theology; and elsewhere.

In 1960 he was appointed Provost of Ondo: five years later he was consecrated the first African bishop of Gambia and the Rio Pongas; and in 1971 translated to Ibadan, one of the most populous of Nigerian dioceses. When, in 1979, Nigeria became a separate Province, Olufosoye was elected by his fellows as its first

Archbishop.

His travels continued — he was a member of the executive committee of the World Council of Churches, a member of the Anglican Consultative Council (and on one occasion its host), and he greatly enjoyed the meetings of Primates. When the Pope came to Canterbury in 1982 Olufosoye was chosen to light the candle commemorating Janani Luwum, the Archbishop of Uganda martyred by Idi

PROFESSOR TOM BOTTOMORE

Tom Bottomort. professor of sociology. University of Sussex. 1968-85, died on December 9 aged 72. He was born on April 8. 1920.

TOM Bottomore was, at an international level, one of the most consistently influential sociologists over more than four decades. One sign of this is the impossibility of picking out his key work, for in no sense was he a one-book man. Another indicator is the durability of his texts, for he was never a follower of intellectual fashions. His selection of writings from Karl Marx, edited with Maximilien Rubel in the mid-1950s, is still in good use in universities today. Bottomore, who was at

school in Nottingham, took his first degree in economics and economic history at the London School of Economics in 1943, returning there after military service in Vienna to begin his graduate work with Morris Ginsberg. After a year in Paris, where he made life-long friends

among the French sociological community, he returned to teach at the LSE for the next 12 years. His courses concentrated upon sociological theory and social stratification and in these he, undogmatically, presented a Marxist challenge to a climate still dominated by the functionalist hegemony.

His teaching style was clear.

discursive, non-militant and marked by courtesy and generosity. He prefaced one lecture by noting the complexity and sometimes unintelligibili-ty of the term "dialectics". When interrupted by a young black student who propounded the facts of life about a thesis meeting an antithesis and generating a synthesis, his reply was, "Yes, let's start there and see what these logical terms mean sociologically". This was no common politeness. He was ready to learn from everybody, any-where. When he produced his textbook on sociology, which made special reference to Indian society, he gently rebuked someone who mentioned that he had produced a text for India, by saying "No. it's not

for, it's about..."
Similarly when he became president of the international Sociological Association (1978-82) he was usually to be found, pipe in hand and wearing his inevitable black polo sweater, deep in conversation with some young newcomer. Bottomore did not simply believe in equality, he lived it, just as he did not barely recognise "labour power" as a variable in Marxist

economics but revelled in manual work, building his own cabin in Vancouver whilst at Simon Fraser University (1965-68) and later excavating his own swimming pool in

Hassocks. The 17 years he spent at Sussex University were happy and productive ones, the happiness severely marred by the death of his wife Mary in 1986 but the productivity uninterrupted by his official retirement in 1985. His History of Sociological Analysis, edited with Robert Nisbet was followed by seven books covering Marxism, political economy. my and socialism in the 1980s. His last complete work was to edit, with William Outhwaite, a dictionary on 20th-century social thought, which, sadly, will appear

posthumously.

Although nothing is definitive in social theory, Tom
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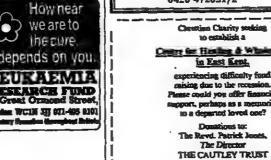
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his brother-in-law's disgrace. Johan has

thriven in America and, as the play opens, has returned on a short visit.

[After a number of twists and turns in the plot Karsten, who has planned further treachery, confesses his guilt and announces he is to leave town.]

What the literary value of the work in its original shape may be it is difficult to guess from a translation; but assuming Mr. Archer to have performed his task with fidelity, it would appear that the author is somewhat lavish in his dialogue and somewhat trite in his sentiments. Yet there are unquestionably some impressive scenes and the evolution of the plot is not unskilful As generally happens when the present action of a play turns upon the incidents of the past, an undue proportion of time is spent on explanations. On the whole the play conveys the impression of being the work of a man of talent and experience; and it is conceivable that in their native shape and to a native audience Henrik Ibsen's plays deserve their reputation.



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Leni Riefenstahl's Triumph of the Will, a brilliant but notorious documentary about the 1934 Nazi party

rally in Nuremberg, is discussed in

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Ranking by research

Yesterday there was much grum-

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The United States has been right to

press the issue of war crimes as well as of war in the Balkans. The fight-

ing in former Yugoslavia has been

of the most public kind Page 15

If the analysts are right, a demerger

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HEWS.

Nato ready to enforce no-fly zone ■ Nato foreign ministers announced last night that the alliance was ready to take military action to help the United Nations to enforce the no-fly zone over Bosnia-Herzegovina, even if it meant suspending aid convoys to carry out air

The commitment came in direct defiance of an ultimatum from Radovan Karadzic, the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, who wrote to John Major threatening to attack British troops on the ground in the event of Western combat aircraft becoming ... Pages 1, 10, 15 involved in the conflict...

Cambridge pull ahead of Oxford

■ In the most extensive university research rankings ever carried out in Britain, Cambridge University has established a clear lead over its rival Oxford Pages 1, 7, 15

House uproar

strikes.

The Speaker of the House of Commons had to suspend business for nearly three hours yesterday when more than a dozen MPs demonstrated against plans to allow Scottish hospitals to opt out of health board

Lottery fun

Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, published the National Lottery Bill yesterday indicating that the first statesponsored flutter for 300 years would create millionaires, museums and harmless fun Pages 1, 2

Changing sides

Somali gunman who had looted the town until the arrival of American and French troops this week are to be employed by the Americans as security guards in .. Page 9

Sabbath jackpot

Despite a European Court ruling that Britain's Sunday trading laws stand, more money is expected in shop tills this Sunday than on any sabbath in

Never volunteer

Among nearly three million unemployed in Britain will be 600 army officers made redundant because not enough lleutenantcolonels and majors have volunteered to leave Pages 1, 2

Foetal care

Kenneth Calman, the government's chief medical officer, has

advised all pregnant women to increase their intake of folic acid to reduce the risk of babies being born with spina bifida.... Page 6

Israeli clamp

Israel's supreme court cleared the way for the deportation of 383 Palestinians which was designed to halt the activities of Islamic fundamentalist in the occupied territories Pages 1, 9

Crumbling shores

Keith Clayton, dean of the University of East Anglia's school of environmental studies who admits he is known as the mad professor, believes that Britain's sea defences are worse than

Arts gifts

Allocations by the Arts Council will widen the divisions between London's four main orchestras and squeeze many arts companies facing budget cuts Page 6

New loyalties

New citizens of Australia will no longer be required to swear an oath of allegiance to the Oueen, but to their adopted

Looking at welfare Labour leader John Smith, launching his party's review of the welfare state, declared himself in favour of universal benefits. Page 8

Titanic protest

The sale by the French government of Titanic relics has provoked British outrage Page 3

Don't bother suing, lawyers tell Sid

Sid, the great British shareholder without whom the privatisation of British Gas would not have been the same. will find it difficult to sue the company if it is forced to break up as a result of action by the Monopolies and Merg Commission. This was the opinion among City lawyers



Deadly dealing: President Yeltsin greeted by his Chinese counterpart, Yang Shangkun, in Peking where he will sell arms. Page 11

Bank hit: Bardays may slip Into the red this year after being forced to make provisions of £240 million against Imry Group, the troubled property group, the largest ever single bad debt provision made by a British bank.

Australian deat: British Airways defeated a rival bid by Singapore Airlines to secure a 25 per cent stake in Quntas, the Australian national airline.... Page 19

Marketa: Shares eased in late trading after rising 15 points earlier in the day and the FT-SE 100 Index closed up 7.5 at 2,740.3. The pound rose .15 cents to \$1.5805 and by .44 pfennigs to DM2.4585, leaving the trade-weighted index at

SPORT VI

Rugby: Geoff Cooke, the England rugby union team manager, forecast a decade of success for his team, "We will have to shoot ourselves in the foot not to continue being successful".... Page 32

Football: Graham Taylor, the England manager, has refused to reserve a place in his side for Ian Wright, who has been charged with misconduct by the Football . Page 36

Cricket: Ted Dexter, the chairman of the England selectors, has underlined England's determination to hold out against the trend towards one-day internationals at the expense of the five-day Test Page 36

Charity at home: Jane Tewson runs her Charity Projects empire from a first-floor office. Here she takes from them that hath, giving to them that do not Valerie Grove talks to one of Britain's foremost consciences

Tear links: George Gibbes, born George Paveliev in Moscow before the Revolution, is 87. It is almost exactly the age Tsarevich Alexis, heir to all the Russias, would have reached today if he had not been shot dead with all his family in 1918, and thrown into a pit. But between the boy who died and the old exile there exists a strong emotional link. Libby Purves explains.

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Lord Chancellor.

Head lines: The disquieting work of British artist Tim Head includes despoiled landscapes reminiscent

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Misadventures: English National Opera's new production of Janacek's The Adventures of Mr Broucek is full of bad jokes, says Rodney Milnes

Too many nute: The Nutcracker, most popular ballet in the world, is 100 years old today. Is it past its

Week excuses: The decision to kill off This Week, independent television's current-affairs flagship, after 36 years, looks like an error of Page 29 .

Mozart's vulgar

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Close to the edge: The motoring correspondent of The Times, Kevin

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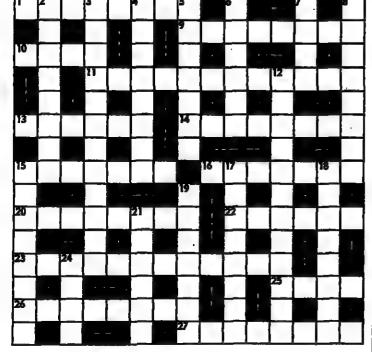
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- 15 Criticise severely such clothing
- 16 Fool holding horse about to
- intrude (7).
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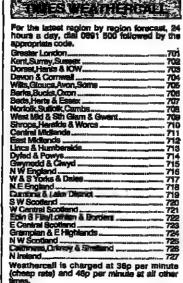
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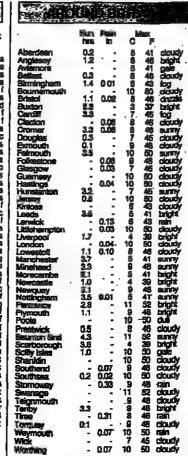
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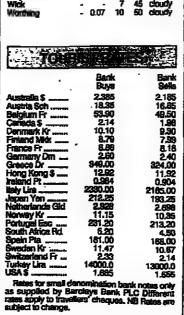
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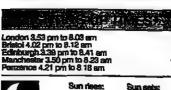
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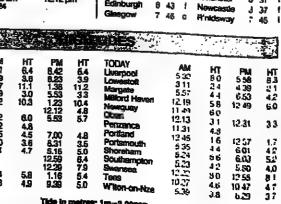
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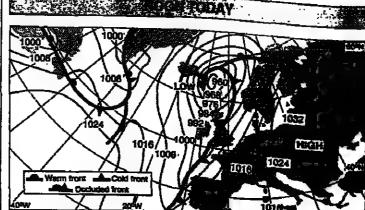
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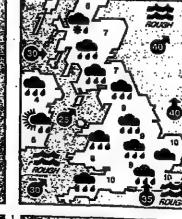






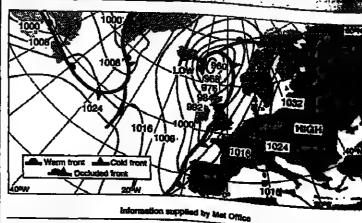
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After 15 years, Sir Jeremy Morse is sorry to be stepping down as chairman of Lloyds Bank despite misgivings about trends in the industry

Barclays sets aside £1/4bn

Record single provision may send bank into loss

BY NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

BARCLAYS has set aside £240 million against its loans to Imry, the private property group, the largest single bad debt provision made by a British bank.

The bank said it is writing off £196 million of the loan completely because it is dismanding Chester Holdings. Imry's highly seared parent

Imry's highly geared parent company. The provisions are part of a last-ditch refinancing to allow Imry to continue trading in the hope that the bank may recover some of its funds when the property mar-

The provision is higher than expected and confirmed City analysis fears that Barclays is heading for a loss this year and may cut its dividend. The bank made £75 million of the provision in its first-half figures but most of the charge will hit the second half.

The provision is almost five times higher than the bank's profits of £51 million in the first half and will push its bad debt provisions close to a record £2.5 billion this year.

The provision is a severe embarrassment to Andrew Buxton, Barclays' chairmanelect, who as managing director in 1989 played a key role in agreeing the loans to Imry.

As part of the restructuring, Barclays is taking 100 per cent of the shares in Imry and two of the bank's senior executives will have complete control of the company through a trust.

The bank is converting another £100 million of its loans into preference shares in the company, which leaves remaining loans of £76 million and unused facilities of

£50 million. Bardays has brought back David Davies. Irmry's former chairman, to run the company, alongside Martin My-

Almost £4 billion has been set aside by Barclays against lending to the private property group Imry. The provision, largest on a single loan, may push the bank into loss

utive. The management are being given preference shares that can convert into a sub-stantial stake depending on the company's performance. Imry is being left with debts of £226 million, and net assets

ers, the existing chief exec-

of £70 million. Its main asset is the 500,000 sq ft Shires Shopping Centre in Leicester, which opened a year ago and The bank decided to keep

Imry alive at any cost because it is worried that the collapse of any more property companies will depress the market even



further and create more bad debts. The bank also believes will be able to handle the

assets better than a receiver. Bardays' relationship with Imry began when it financed the highly leveraged £314 million offer for Imry Merchant investors, then a public company. The bid was made by Marketchief, a vehicle later owned by Wolfgang Stol-zenberg, a Canadian. Mr Stobenberg resigned from the company last month. Barciays agreed to lend Marketchief £215 million.

credit panel of senior executives and approved by the board. The bank said yesterday that Mr Buxton as managing editor was "kept fully informed" while the loan was being arranged. Mr Buxton would have also been at the board meetings where the loan, one of the bank's largest, was discussed. Barclays is almost the sole lender to Imry, although a small debenture is held by Norwich Union.

imry began to suffer as soon as the property market started to go into recession. Barclays refinanced the company last year, but the fall in property values means the company could not service the debts owed by Marketchief, later renamed Chester. Under the refinancing, Chester is becoming a shell company and Imry Holdings, its only asset, is being transferred to Imry Group, a new company owned by Bardays Mr Myers said the refinanc-

ing gave the company a chance to make the most of its properties. "If we had remained a public company we would still be viable. We are not under one iota of pressure to sell our properties and we now want our assets to grow."

Meanwhile Moody's, the debt rating agency, has cut its rating for Barclays to Aa2 from Aa1. The agency blamed the weakness of the bank's assets and profitability and pressure on the bank's capital. Only last year Barclays was still one of the few banks with an AAA rating, the highest.



Embarrassed: chairman-elect Andrew Buxton played a key role in making the loan

Breakup could cut gas prices

BY ROSS TIEMAN

GAS prices could be cut further and shareholders' returns enhanced if British Gas were broken up. Sir James Ofgas, said yesterday.

His prediction came amid a growing realisation that there will be heavy job losses and a far-reaching re-organisation of British Gas whatever the outcome of the current mo-

nopolies commission enquiry.
British Gas has already commissioned a consultants report into how best to pare down its 2,000 head office staff in London. It has more than 80,000 employees, and is under intense pressure to cut costs in line with regulatory pressure for lower prices.

Sir James is convinced that the benefits of a breakup would be widespread, "I think generally speaking there is a good chance that if you break up a company the value that you can maximise is greater than the value of the whole when you start," he said.

With customers already likely to lend their backing, Sir James launched an appeal for shareholder support as he stepped up his campaign to destroy the monopoly enjoyed by British Gas in the interests of greater competition.

City analysts were sceptical that Sir James would succeed in his breakup bid, arguing that the group would fight tooth and nail to retain the production and distribution.

Earlier, in a report to the monopolies commission, Ofgas argued that only by separating British Gas's trans-mission business, equal to 80 per cent of the £11.4 billion company, from the arm that sells gas to customers, could competition

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BA wins approval for bid to take 25% Qantas stake

By Colin Narbrough, world trade correspondent

BRITISH Airways has beaten off a rival bid from Singapore Airlines to secure a 25 per cent stake in Qantas, the Australian national carrier, for A\$665 million (£292 million).

The Australian government, which plans to privatise the rest of October by June 30.

the rest of Qantas by June 30, yesterday gave BA the green light to buy into the airline, only a week after sealed bids were lodged for the minority stake. The 25 per cent interest is the maximum allowed a non-Australian holder.
The Qantas stake will boost

BA's presence in Asia-Pacific region. Qantas, which has a fleet of 83 aircraft made a profit of A\$137.3 million in the year to June.

Welcoming the Australian decision, Lord King, the BA chairman, said it marked the beginning of a "permanent alliance" which would see both BA and Qantas well positioned to face the challenges of the market into the next century. "It is an alliance which will create opportunities for competitive growth and expansion on a level previously unavailable to either air-line," Lord King said. Ralph Willis, Australia's fin-

ance minister, said BA was preferred over Singapore Airlines, which had only sought 20 per cent stake, on both price and conditions. He said BA and Canberra had agreed a recapitalisation for Qantas of A\$1.35 billion. Current debt. stands at A\$6.4 billion. The remaining 75 per cent of Qantas will be floated next

Qantas merged in September with Australian Airlines. the loss-making domestic carrier. BA said it had the cash and borrowing facilities to finance the Qantas deal, formal agreement of which could come before Christmas.

end, John Major is hoping to press the Bush administration to dear the way to a BA-USair deal despite signals that it is ready to turn down the deal. Andrew Card, the American transportation secretary, is due to deliver his verdict on the proposed tie-up, which would give BA a 44 per cent stake, by December 24.

USAir, the fourth largest American airline, has postponed a special shareholders meeting, originally scheduled for December 18, until December 24 because of the lack a response from Mr Card.

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Payouts flow most strongly at Yorkshire

By PATRICIA TEHAN

YORKSHIRE yesterday end-ed the regional electricity com-pany reporting season with a 28 per cent increase in pre-tax six months to end-September. Shareholders have been awarded a 6p interim divi-dend, up 14.7 per cent, the highest increase of all 12

regional supply companies. with a £13 million rebate, worth 45 off the standing charge for its 2 million cus-tomers on published tariffs.

John Tysoe, Yorkshire's chairman, made it clear he is unwilling to sign a new fiveyear contract for coal-fired power from the generators until the uncertainties surrounding the government's energy review are cleared up.

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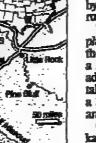
A gleam in Clinton's back yard

FROM PHILLIP ROBINSON

RTZ, the UK mining giant, reckons it has discovered the world's largest diamond-bearing rock formation — in Bill Clinton's back yard.

The find has been made at the Crater of Diamonds State Park, near Murfreesboro in Arkansas, where Mr Clinton was governor until recently. Under him, a four-company consortium lead by Kennecott Exploration, a member of the RTZ group, gained permission to excavate the 887-acre park for diamonds.

The find has sparked sharp controversy. Arkansas has to decide whether it will preserve the park for recreation, or yield to lucrative temptation. The state motto is the Land of in 1906, but attempts at



Opportunity. Kennecoti said yesterday: "This is very sensitive at the moment; no one here wants to talk about it." Previous prospectors have had mixed success. The first diamond was found on the site

commercial mining between

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then and 1952 were crippled, major mining companies by law suits, corporate bank- have badgered the state. Govruptcy and mysterious fires. The park has been a playground for amateurs since

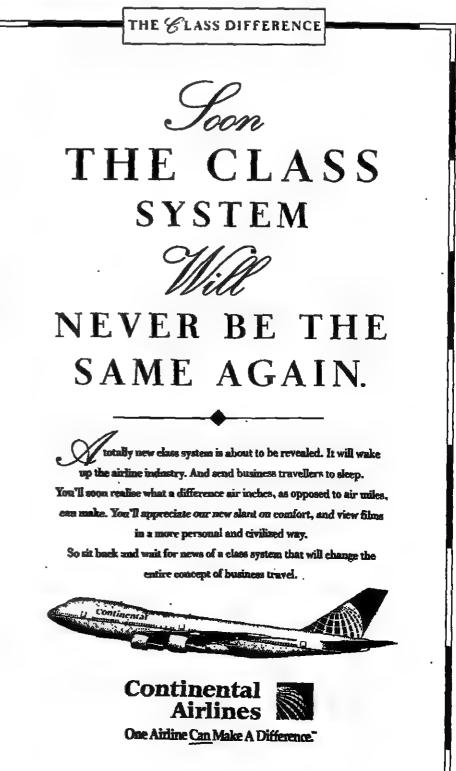
the state bought it in 1972 for a mere \$750,000. For \$3.50 admission, weekenders can take their picks and shovels to a 35-acre portion of the park and try their luck. Greg Butts, director of Ar-kansas State Parks, said: "We

plough it up every so often and they see what they can find." Some have been handsomely rewarded. The Uncle Sam (40.23 carats) is the largest find, but stones named the Star of Murfreesboro (34.25 carats) and the Star of Arkansas (15.33 carats) have turned up among the 70,000 diamonds found there over two decades. Since the early 1980s

ernor Clinton set up a task force in 1986 and RTZ's excavation started in Novem-The consortium says sam-

ples from 26 holes drilled to 670 ft indicate there is 78 million tons of diamond-bearing rock sufficient for 30 years of mining. It is now arguing for permission to go ahead with further tests to determine quality, which could bring commercial mining to one of Arkansas's largest parks.

The locals have until April to put their case. They say success for RTZ would dull their chances of accidental would exclude the public from



Electra **Trust** assets decline

By NEIL BENNEIT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE desperate struggle for survival among Britain's smaller companies has hit the value of Electra Investment Trust, the venture capital specialist. The group's net assets per shares fell 15 per cent to 278p in the year to end-

September.
The group was knocked by the recent collapse of Harland Simon, the control systems group, where it had a substantial investment. Overall, the value of the group's listed investments plunged by a fifth to £139 million. The value of unlisted investments remained little changed at £334 million as a rise in asset values in America compensated for the fall in Britain and a series

of provisions. Michael Stoddart. Electra's chairman, said it had been a difficult year for all small and medium-sized companies. particularly leveraged ones. He said the trust had made a series of provisions against ailing companies during the year, which would be detailed in its annual report.

Despite the fall in assets, the trust increased its final dividend 6 per cent to 3.4p, to make 6.7p for the year, up from 6.4p. Electra's pre-tax profits rose 7 per cent to £16.7 million as income from its

investment remained steady. Mr Stoddart said that the investment climate had improved recently and the trust was looking at a series of proposals. "Our area has been traumatic and difficult but we can look forward with a degree of optimism that we have not seen for a while," he said. TEMPUS:

Yorkshire offers power of promise

last of the regional electricity companies to report its halfway figures, has awarded shareholders the highest dividend increase, up 14.7 per cent to 6p. is hardly a coincidence.

Yorkshire is a good example of what an electricity supply company can achieve by sticking to what it knows best. It has diversified — it is, for example, the only regional company to take a majority stake in a gas-fired power generator - but the cost of diversifications is low and they look likely to pay off in the long run. The Brigg combined cycle

gas-turbine power station, in which Yorkshire holds 75 per cent and Total Gas Marketing is the other shareholder, should provide a strong earnings stream when it comes into operation in early 1994. The regional companies' biggest problem is in differentiating themselves from one another in the eyes of the City. They all depend on the distribution of electricity for their profits, which means the only way to choose between them is by looking at how they

manage their businesses. Yorkshire is well managed: its operating costs were reduced 2 per cent in real terms in the first half, helped by a fall of 150 in staff numbers. More jobs will go over the

next few years. The recession has not hit Yorkshire as hard as some of the other regional companies. It has a generous dividend policy and, along with Manweb, looks a safe haven for investors.

For anyone keener to take a chance ahead of the govern-ment's energy review, South-



Predator on their minds: Michael Cannon, left, and John Clark. of Devenish

em looks attractive. It has the highest exposure to the dash for gas, but assuming the government does nothing to curb these investments, this could provide a sizable chunk of non-core earnings in the years ahead.

Gestetner

GESTETNER shares have underperformed the market since Ricoh, the Japanese company, took a 24.2 per cent stake in September last year, despite a recent swirl of bid speculation. Basil Sellers, the chairman, offers no comment on these. The ordinary shares managed a 4p rise to 154p yesterday, after a better than expected 21.4 per cent jump in pre-tax profits to 127.2 million for the year to October 31. Lower costs helped, as did Latin American and Asian growth. The total dividend was maintained at 8,2p. although the cover improved a little as earnings rose from 11.6p to 12.1p.

About 25 per cent of Gestetner's fully diluted capital is held by Chiltern, which, in turn, is 20 per cent owned by Mr Sellers. Chiltern is an Australian company run from Monaco but is likely to switch domicile to Bermuda. Since 95 per cent of its sales

are now overseas, Gestetner.

too, would like to change domicile but feels locked into Britain by the capital gains tax it would have to pay on

assets leaving the UK.
Because of the company's year end, Gestetner's profits benefited hardly at all from devaluation. There was a 12 per cent rise in gearing to 36 per cent, entirely attributable to the pound's impact on overseas debts. In the present year, Gestetner expects a boost to profits from the pound's fail. America seems to be turning round, Canada continues to be tough, and Europe will remain flat.

Some analysts want to see how the world economy fares

before making a forecast; optimists, however, have translated all this into a rise to £35.7 million before tax. On that forecast, earnings would be 14.5p. offering a multiple of 10.6. If the dividend is raised a fraction to 8.5p, the yield is 7.3 per cent. Hold.

Devenish

FULL-YEAR figures from JA Devenish have a strong air of the defence document about them. Boddington retains a 19.8 per cent stake after last year's failed bid, despite opportunities to exit at a profit. This has, understandably, never been far from the minds of the directors, led by Michael Cannon, chairman, and John Clark, chief executive.

The clearest signal is the 25.6 per cent rise in the total dividend, even if this does reduce cover to 2.2 times earnings. Devenish has a third of its pubs in Cornwall. and the poor showing of the county's holiday industry meant the year's figures looked flat at the operating level, despite a 40 per cent increase in the size of the

These add-ons will wait until the summer season and the second half of the current year to prove their full worth. Pre-tax profits in the £15 million area are in prospect, against a reported £13.6 million. The shares, therefore, are on a forward earnings multi-ple of about 12.7, which would appear to contain little bid premium.

The shares should be chased only by those confi-dent that Boddingtons will return to the fray, but existing investors should stay put.

BUSINESS ROUNDAIP

Commercial Union cuts life and pension bonuses

COMMERCIAL Union kicked off this year's round of bonus declarations yesterday with a half per cent cut across the board on traditional life and pensions policies for policies maturing after January 1. Bonuses on traditional with-profits life policies have been cut from 7 per cent of sum assured and existing bonuses to 6.5 per cent. With-profits pensions have had their rates cut from 7.5 per cent to 7 per

Rates on unitised with-profits life contracts will be cut from 9.5 per cent to 8.5 per cent while the total return on unitised with-profits pensions will be cut from 12.5 per cent to 10.5 per cent. Someone putting £30 a month into a 25-year endowment policy that matures next year will receive a payout of £62,941, down from last year's £65,596. The same person with a ten-year policy will have a payout of £7.164, down from £7,484.

LBMS back in black

LEARMONTH & Burchett Management Systems (LBMS). the USM-quoted computer company, reported a pre-tax profit of £753,000 (£281,000 loss) in the six months to end-October. Turnover rose to £10.7 million (£10.1 million). Earnings per share were 3, 1 p (1.7p loss). There is no interim dividend (nil) but the company hopes to pay a final. Overseas sales now account for 40 per cent of the total compared with 30 per cent last year. The shares rose 9p to 129p.

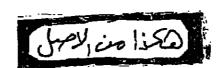
Bromsgrove advances

BROMSGROVE Industries, the Birmingham specialist engineering group, increased pre-tax profits 25 per cent to £4 million (£3.2 million) in the six months to September 30. Turnover rose to £54 million (£39.4 million). Fully diluted earnings per share were 4.07p (5.41p) and there is an interim dividend of 1.65p (1.5p). Operating profits of £5.2 million (£4.3 million) were struck after charging £337,000 in redundancy and related costs.

First Technology leaps

FIRST Technology, a maker of crash dummies, is continuing a strong recovery. Profits leapt from £83,000 to £807,000 in the six months to October 31. The company promised a payout at the year end, its first for two years, provided trading continued to improve. Fred Westlake, chairman, said First Technology was concentrating on its automotive safety business. This had led to a 29 per cent fall in sales, to £11.4 million, but demand from car manufacturers was steady.

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Merrydown swallows SB soft drink brands

By MARTIN WALLER

made a long-awaited expansion in the soft drinks line. The cider producer has bought the Shioer apple juice and PLI lemon juice brands from SmithKline Beecham, for a total of £8.26 million.

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Merrydown is raising £5.06 million through a placing to meet the initial payment on completion of £4.35 million and provide extra working capital. The shares will be offered back to existing shareholders on a one-for-three

The deal was greeted by the market with a 23p jump in Merrydown shares to 248p. Shloer is seen in the drinks industry as a brand in decline, and warranted sales of £6 million in 1992 would be £600,000 down on the previous year. Richard Purdey, Merrydown's chairman, said

Merrydown was confident

that there was "considerable scope for the growth and development" of the brand

MERRYDOWN Wine has and that the sales decline could be reversed.

His first task will be to combat the strong seasonality of the brand -40 per cent of sales fall in November and December. Shloer may therefore be promoted as a summer drink too. PLJ annual sales are less than El million.

Both drinks will be pro-duced mainly at Merrydown's facilities at Horam, East Sussex, and distributed through the same network as the company's other products, which include two soft drinks

Smithkline Beecham. which bought Shloer in the 1950s, is selling the pair to concentrate on its larger health drinks brands. Merrydown is to graduate from the USM to a full stock

market listing. Mr Purdey said the compa ny's policy is based on its position at the premium end of the cider market and on



Devaluation helps boost factory order books

By JANET BUSH TANGONIAN CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN'S manufacturers are beginning to see some of the benefits of sterling's devaluation, a competitive advantage increasingly envied by those European countries facing recession and rising unemployment but lacking the tools to tackle this because they belong to the exchange-rate

The Confederation of British Industry reported in its December monthly trends survey today that British manufacturers' order books were at their best levels for five months, although still well below normal levels. Export orders seem to have improved in December, following the deterioration in October and November, which the CBI attributed partly to sterling's

Central banks continued to battle in currency markets as the ERM came under pressure despite France's renewed commitment to a strong franc

devaluation since September. Manufacturers seem to be becoming more optimistic about output, with a smaller proportion of firms predicting a decline in volume of output

over the next four months. While the Treasury expressed disappointment that unemployment is rising sharply, a spokesman said the evidence from manufacturing industry was generally encouraging. He said improved output ex-pectations should continue as the effect of lower base rates continues to feed through. Sterling profited from being outside the ERM, where ten-

sions remained acute yes day. The pound closed a touch

higher at DM2.4575. European central banks continued to battle with the currency markets as they speculated that the commitment to current parities in the system cannot last, given Europe's growing economic problems. Pierre Bérégovoy, the French prime minister, took

the unusual step of holding a press conference to reaffirm his government's commitment to maintaining a strong franc. He said he would not not devalue or float the currency. This was backed up by

intervention from the Bank of France and the Bundesbank. Despite this, the franc closed little changed from its previous finish at 3.4170 to the

would float or devalue to be able to cut interest rates and reignite the economy.

The government's economic research institute predicted that French unemployment would average 10.8 per cent in the first half of 1993. But despite economic weakness, short-term interest rates have

mark. A major source of pressure for the franc is the

increasing unpopularity of the

government's franc fort policy. Opposition leaders say they

the franc's vulnerability.
The US had more good news yesterday with the trade deficit falling 18 per cent in October to \$7.03 billion from \$8.58 billion in September.

risen to 11 per cent because of

Devenish profits pull ahead

JA DEVENISH, the West Country public house operator widely seen as under takeover threat from Boddington Group, saw pre-tax profits rise 22 million to £13.6 million in theyeartotheendofSeptember. This was despite little change in earnings from its core pub (Martin Waller

The improvement came from lower interest charges and non-recurrence of losses from discontinued businesses. A 6.35p final dividend makes a total of 7.85p (6.25p).

John Clark, chief executive, said the board was pleased

with the pubs' performance in a difficult year for the drinks industry in the West Country. The sharp increase in the dividend was merely the level of payment catching up from its original low base to where it should be, he added.

GA chiefs quit Royal Bank to avoid conflict of interest

By Neil Bennett, banking correspondent

THE Royal Bank of Scotland has accepted the resignations of the chairman and one of the directors of General Accident from its board after it became worried that they could learn competitive secrets about Direct Line, the bank's fastgrowing motor and home

Lord Airlie, the chairman of General Accident, and Ranald Noel-Paton, the managing director of John Menzies and a General Accident director, yesterday said they will retire from the board of the Royal Bank after its annual meeting next month. In their place, the bank has appointed Iain Vallance, the chairman of BT, as a non-executive director. Jimmy James, a director of Sun Alliance, is also stepping down at the bank's next board

meeting.
Officially, the bank said

yesterday that the two GA men had decided to retire because they felt there may be a conflict of interest due to the headlong expansion of Direct Line. Lord Younger of Prestwick, the chairman, said yesterday: "Both my colleagues and I have learned with regret of their decision to retire and we would like to thank them

for their loyal service and sound advice over the years." Privately, however, Royal Bank's executives are extremely relieved that they are leaving, since the traditional composite insurers are concerned about the growth of Direct Line, which sells insurance over the telephone, and are keen to compete more fiercely with it.

Peter Wood, the head of Direct Line and Britain's highest-paid employee, has never revealed the most de-

tailed statistics about Direct Line's success at the full board meetings, and has only given them out in executive reviews. The three men had also agreed not to attend some Direct Line presentations.

Direct Line has grown from nothing in seven years and has 876,000 policyholders. The company's success showed in Royal Bank's figures. The insurer's profits rose 50 per cent to £15.1 million even after Mr Wood's £6 million bonus. Premiums rose 71 per cent to £213 million and the bank expects the company to become a market leader by the middle of the decade.

Lord Younger said he was delighted that Mr Vallance had agreed to join the board. "His background and experience will bring considerable benefit to our discussions at

Insurer bids £44m for trust stake

Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, the insurance group wholly owned by Allchurches Trust, a registered charity, is offering £44.1 million cash for the 60 per cent of St Andrew

Trust it does not already own. The offer values each St Andrew share at about 215p and puts the trust's share capital at £74 million. The shares closed at 211p. The bid is seen as a housekeeping exercise to allow EIO to win more than 50 per cent of St Andrews, Under EC rules, this will allow it to treat the value of its holding at net asset value rather than according to the share price.

Greenlees falls

The competitive times in the British advertising industry are reflected in a 27 per cent fall in pre-tax profits at Gold Greenlees Trott. Profits dropped to £2.17 million in the six months to end-October. although some of the decline is accounted for by the non-repetition of a £482,000 profit last time from a disposal. The interim dividend stays at 3.3p.

Payout raised

Profits at Acatos & Hutcheson. the supplier of edible oils, rose from £6.7 million before tax to £7.56 million in the year to September 27.Earnings advanced to 15.2p (13.3p) a share and the final dividend is 4p (3.25p) making 6.5p for the year (5p).

Water regulator reports an improvement in services

BY GEORGE STYRLL

BRITAIN'S 32 water companies have, overall, improved services to customers, says lan Byatt, director-general of Ofwat, the water industry regulator. In his annual report on service in England and Wales, he reminds the companies that service since 1989 will be taken into account when price limits are reset in

Mr Byatt said: "With water charges increasing in real terms to finance improvements in services, customers

will want to see that higher bills do indeed reflect higher levels of service." He criticised the information supplied by the com-panies. "Overall, the quality of information has improved.

But while it is recognised that the development of satisfactory information systems takes time, the fact is that some companies have made significant progress while others have not in addition, some companies have expressed concern that others are not



Wessex chiefs report profit flow: Hood, left, and Skelett

playing by the rules." Ofwat says the number of people affected by restrictions on water use fell from 21 million in 1991 to 6.7 million in 1992. Fewer customers experienced interruptions of more than a 12 hours to their supply and response times to customer complaints and billing queries

have improved. On response to written queries. Severn Trent, Tendring Hundred, North East Water, South West, Folkestone and Dover, Mid Kent, South East Water, Mid Southern, Thames, Welsh, Bourne-mouth and Bristol rated as very poor.

On response to billing que-ries. Severn Trent, South West, South East, Bournemouth and Bristol were rated as very poor.

Severn Trent claimed yesterday that it had dramatically improved its responses on billing queries and written complaints since March when the report was compiled Wessex Water, led by Nich-

olas Hood, chairman, and Colin Skelett, managing di-rector, declared an 11.3 per cent increase in profits, to £44.3 million, in the six months to September 30. The dividend has been raised 10.6 per cent to 7.3p. out of earnings up 12.1 per cent to 40.6p. Mr Hood said costs did not increase over last time. Wessex shares rose 70 to

INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS



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ent of the new Director General of ICIMOD will be for a term of four years and should start not later than 1 March 1994. The salary and allowances of this exceptionally challenging post will be commensurate with the high qualifications and experience required, comparable to equivalent top-ranking positions in International Organisations.

Further details can be obtained from the address below, where applications with full CV and the names and addresses and telephone/facsimile numbers of three references should be received not later than 15 March 1993.

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Full-frontal assault in six-year gas war

By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

FACING Sir James McKinnon, the head of Ofgas, across a hunch table at the Goring Hotel in London yesterday. Cedric Brown, British Gas's chief executive, must have wondered whether he was wasting his time.

Less than 24 hours earlier, Sir James had without warning, launched the most devastating assault in his six-year campaign to destroy British Gas's monopoly. In a submission to the monopolies commission enquiry into the gas market, the 63-year-old head of Ofgas had called for British Gas to be broken up. It was, he said, the only way to effective competition in gas supply, and to end the war

between company and regulator.

Mr Brown is much keener than his tormentor for bostilities to cease. When he stepped up from the role of managing director to become chief executive at British Gas on August 1, Mr Brown took

the toughest business decision of his life. Acknowledging that planning the future of the £11.4 billion company had become impossible under Sir James's constant assaults, he and his fellow directors chose to submit to a monopolies commis-

sion enquiry.
It was a gamble utterly at odds with the steady, thorough, but unexciting style of British Gas's management, British Gas is a company run largely by engineers. Capable, can-do people, proud of their success in creating the biggest integrated

gas company in the world. Yet this company of 84,000 employees has been driven to throw its future into the melting pot by a single-minded, white-haired Scot with a head for figures

and a staff of fewer than 20 people.

This extraordinary saga began in

August 1986, when ministers lit on Sir James, the former finance director of Imperial Group and appointed him to regulate the gas monopoly, which was privatised at the end of that year. Sir

Denis Rooke, the company's then chairman, had seen off attempts by the government and its advisers to break the company up shead of sale. With hindsight, that appears a mistake.

Tenaciously and skilfully, and making maximum use of publicity. Sir James has levered British Gas into opening its markets to rivals. At every turn, the company has appeared outsmarted by its regulator. The elevation of Mr Brown reflected recognition that, for all his strengths, Robert Evans, the chairman, lacks the sparkle to match Sir James.

Yesterday's kunch, in an hotel notable for wide spaces between tables to facilitate private discussion, was supposed to be about building bridges. But Sir James, with only two years of his tenure to run, seems determined that his legacy will be a fully competitive gas

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Daf issues warning of losses in second half

FROM REUTER IN EINDHOVEN

DAF, the Dutch truck manufacturer, gave warning its 1992 net loss would be higher than the loss of about 100 million guilders (£36 million)

it previously forecast.

The company said: "Although operating results in commercial vehicles have improved considerably and will close the year with a positive result ... we expect to suffer a higher net 1992 loss than the FL 100 million we expected when we announced six-

Daf did not elaborate further on its forecast but said its commercial vehicles business lost more than FI 150 million 1991. Announcing a FI 97.4 million loss for the first half, in August, Daf had said it might break even in the second half. It reported a total loss of Fl 394.5 million in 1991, including extraordinary items, and has reported cumulative losses of more than

Fl 700 million in 18 months. DAF shares, which traded up 50 cents at Fl 6.60 before the news, fell to F1 6.50.

DAF also announced it had secured loans totalling about Fl 190 million from the Belgian government and the Dutch state-controlled Dutch state-controlled Nationale Investeringsbank (NIB). Flemish regional authorities had agreed in principle to grant a BFr2.2 billion (£43.7 million) loan to DAF, under conditions to be determined. NIB had agreed to lend it F167 million, partly

guaranteed by the Dutch state. The Flemish authorities said they were willing to cooperate in financing DAF's restructuring provided the outcome of an investigation of the company proved positive.

STOCK MARKET

Forecasts downgraded as Barclays reveals write-offs

sioning by Barclays rook some of the shine off an otherwise creditable performance by the rest of the equity market. Bardays, down 8p at 379p, shook the market by confirming plans to write-off £240 million of bad debts after the restructuring of Imry, the property group.

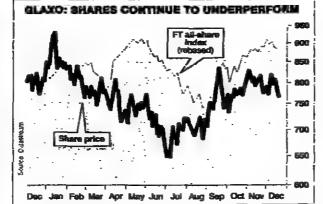
Analysts immediately began

downgrading their profit forecasts for the bank. Kleinwort Benson, the stockbroker, which cut its forecast to £80 million only last week, is now saving that Barclays is only likely to break even in the current year. Other brokers. such as Panmure Gordon, are predicting a small loss.

Share prices generally saw earlier gains halved, with the FT-SE 100 index ending the session 7.5 up at 2,740.3. Turnover reached an impressive \$25 million shares, boosted by several large programme trades, including one by Goldman Sachs, the US securities house, and bed and breakfast operations designed to establish a year-end tax loss.

There were few new positions opened, with investors seemingly unimpressed by the latest average carmings figures. and another rise in unemployment. However, Kleinwort Benson is optmistic about 1993. It says the London stock market offers the best risk/reward balance, helped by a sharp accleration in earnings growth. But it is sticking with its FT-SE 100 index target of 3.000 for 1993 until it can be established how fast the earnings up-turn will he and where the money will come from to fuel the equity

market's rise. Roger Palmer,



at Kleinwort, says institutions agree about the outlook for equities, but believes most of them will still have the bulk of their money tied up in bonds this time next year.

Among leaders, strengthened another 6p to 275p ahead of presentations to investors in New York and Boston. The group has spent the past week talking to bro-

shares was also said to be overhanging the market as another broker prepared to downgrade its profit Several companies mentioned as potential takeover targets were up and running

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again. Tarmac, where there is persistent talk of a bid from

Hammerson, the property developer, continued to attract speculative support with the A shares climbing 8p to 275p. Earlier this week it was suggested Hanson might bid after its plans to rescue Canary Wharf were shelved. Last night there was talk of an agreed bid for Hammerson from the US.

kers in London. British Aerospace climbed 6p to 153p as the electronics team at Henderson Crosthwaite, the stockbroker, made it their share of the year. Rolls-Royce responded to news of a multimillion pound engine order from the Italian airforce with a rise of 5p to 114p. But ICI lost another 24p to £10.09 as

brokers continued to express

Minorco, rose 7p to 113p. Lucas Industries, where BTR is seen as a possible bidder, firmed 2p to 125p.

British Gas rose 3p to 273p in response to the demand by Ofgas, the industry's regulatory body, that the company be split into two seperate businesses. Sir James McKinnon. the director-general of Ofgas. believes the group's pipeline

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operation should be hived off. He has told the Monopolies and Mergers Commission that such a break up would Mergers Commission result in cheaper gas and an improvement in the company's share value.

Carr Kitcat & Aitken, the stockbroker, is urging clients to switch out of National Power, down 5p at 265p, and PowerGen. 3p lighter at 207p, and into British Gas. Strauss Turnbull is also believed to be recommending

British Airways held steady at 278p after receiving approval from the Australian government to bid for 25 per cent of Quantas, the stateowned airline that is soon to be privatised. But it is feared that plans by BA to acquire a stake in USAir may have run into opposition from American authorities.

Compenition lears contin-ued to unsettle Glazo, down 22p at 773p. Earlier this week. Astra. the Swedish Pharmaceutical group, announced that sales of its antiulcer treatment have topped \$1 billion this year. Glaxo shares have underperformed relative to the rest of the market by 15 per cent in the past three month

Elsewhere in the drinks sector. Merrydown Wine, the cider maker, is buying Schloer and PLJ drinks from Smithkline Beecham for £8.25 million in order to expand its adult non-alcholic portfolio. To finance the acquisition. Merrydown is issuing 2.7 million new shares, which should raise about £5 million.

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HONG KONG

Hang Seng hit by political pressures

A CHILL in the political air yesterday sent the Hang Seng index tumbling 86 points to close at 5,329, ending an unexpected three-day rally (Lulu Yu writes). Turnover was light at HK\$2.57 billion (£210.13 million).

The fall followed remarks by Qian Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister, which quashed any hope of an early resolution to the Sino-British political conflict. Mr Qian said China would stand firm on its opposition to Hong Kong governor Chris Patter's proposals for democratic reform. There would be no concessions, no deals, he said.

John Mulcahy, of Peregrine brokerage, said: "What China has done is remind people that the situation still exists. We'll see some more weakness in the next few days."
HSBC Holdings was the

most actively traded stock, with more than 4 million shares changing hands. Speculation about its exposure to Anglo-United drove the price down HK\$1.50 to \$54. New York — Wall Street shares firmed in early trade, gaining support from a con-traction in the trade deficit buying, traders said.

The US merchandise trade deficit narrowed to \$7.03 billion in October compared with a deficit of \$8.58 billion in September. By midday, the Dow Jones industrial average was 2.16 points lower at 3,253.02.

☐ Tokyo — Shares ended firmer in index-driven trade. The Nikkei average was up 169.20 points, or 0.98 per cent, to 17,437.91.



BRITISH FUNDS

GOVERNMENT securities were squeezed higher in thin trading with the cash market taking its lead from the finan-

The March series of the long gilt rose six ticks to £9915/16 in low volume which saw only 8.000 contracts completed. Investors are continuing to square-up their yearend portfolios but seem unwilling to open fresh positions because of the lack of positive news on the economic front.

squeezed higher in early trading but appeared to run out of steam once they reached the levels that the three new taplets were issued at last week.

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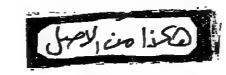
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Hard heads beat bleeding hearts

esterday's eleventh-hour conversion of the National Association of Pension Funds to the idea of a more limited form of compensation plan will be welcomed by those inside and outside the industry. The Goode committee set up to consider appropriate responses to the Robert Maxwell scandal will doubtless take note of the weight of submissions in favour of compensation arrangements for fraud on pension funds but not in cases of maladministration or underfunding.

The NAPF was surely pushing its luck and its credibility with earlier proposals. These would effectively have levied pension fund contributors in order to make up for the incompetence, or worse, of the pension industry professionals that are the core membership of NAPF. This may be the simplest way of ensuring a smooth maintenance of the status quo. But it will have given the impression of complacency and tolerance of eless than best practice. After all, the status quo also allowed Robert Maxwell the scope to pillage funds a lower ballowed. pillage funds he held in trust.

The NAPF should know that bleeding hearts are no substitute for hard heads in such matters. As is all too apparent in America, well-intentioned but woolly-minded compensation schemes produce perverse results. America's federal deposit insurance scheme surely encourages bad banking practice by underwriting the failures of banks that act imprudently. The scheme also encourages imprudence elsewhere. Depositors are offered a substantial level of protection and may be tempted to forget the need for prudential scrutiny of a bank prior to opening a deposit account and simply go wherever the highest rates are on offer.

Likewise, in their original form, the NAPF proposals would have subsidised negligent administration and unrealistically low levels of company contribution and led to some cynical undercutting of management fees and charges at the fringes of the business. Whether the NAPF likes it or not and however unfair, the vast army of professional advisers, administrators and investment experts who make a comfortable living from pension schemes have all been tarnished by the Maxwell fiasco. The industry will never rebuild its image or increase the attractions of making retirement provision without a long hard look in the mirror.

Barclays grief

arely has a chairman-elect of a major organisation been forced to suffer such slings and arrows as Andrew Buxton. His journey to the top of the bank once seemed a gentle stroll. Now it has become tortuous, and he should think about turning back. Barclays' record provision against Imry is a serious blot on Mr Buxton's previously unblemished copybook. Granted, he never originated the £422 million loans, and he may never have even examined the figurework closely. But as managing director in 1989 he had a key role in the board's decision to approve the main £215 million loan. A leveraged buyout is always a risky proposition and Barclays' decision to lend so much to Marketchief and Imry, even on the crest of a property boom, smacks of reckless imprudence.

Mr Buxton has admitted he may appoint a chief executive to work alongside him at some later date, but institutional shareholders are still outraged that the bank should fly in the face of current practice and hand both top jobs to one man, even if only temporarily.

In the light of all this opposition, Mr Buxton must reconsider his determination to take both the top jobs at the bank on January 1. He owes it not only to Barclays but the banking industry as a whole, which would welcome signs of humility.

High street America is no place for the faint-hearted foreigner

Philip Robinson

examines some of the reasons why the United States has proved to be a graveyard for so many

or years, America has eaten British retailers alive. Through a combination of bad luck or poor judgment, few UK store groups have ever realised the dream of repeating their home success in the world's largest

British retailers

consumer market. Some have thrown in the towel. Last month, Storehouse, once dogged by the poor performance of its American Mothercare chain, sold its US Conran's Habitat operations to Marvin Traub, the retailer who made Bloomingdale's famous as a glitzy

store on Manhattan's upper east side.
Isosceles, drained by its American losses and poised for its third debt restructuring, has been searching in vain for a buyer of its US Herman's Sporting Goods operations for more than eight months. It has finally written down the business to \$50 million while claiming it is capable of \$600 million sales. Earlier this year. the recession and the shoot-from-thelip style of its former chairman hed the shine from Ratners and almost swept its gold and jewellery business into the melting pot.

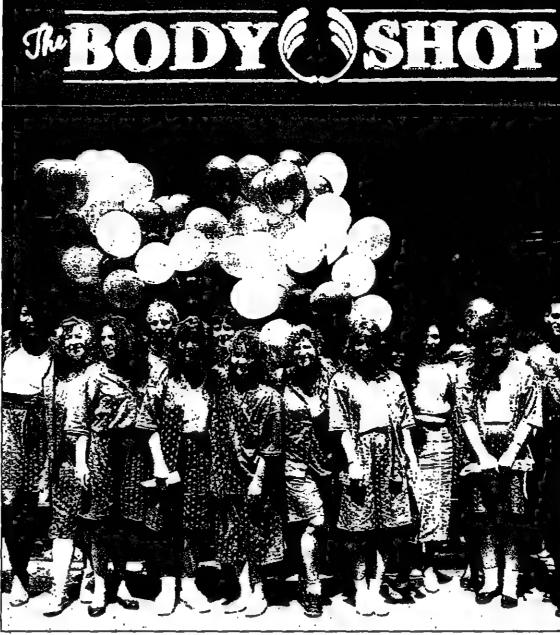
James Maxmin, the anglophile American chief executive of Laura Ashley, has spent much of the past year gradually changing the old English rose image of its stores in an attempt to transform it from a oneconcept company which independent consultants say was looking increasingly outdated.

And last year BAT Industries sold Marshall Field's, the Chicago retailer, and Saks Fifth Avenue, the New York store chain, under takeover threat from financiers Sir James Goldsmith, Jacob Rothschild and Kerry Packer, who argued the sum of the conglomerate's parts were worth more than the whole.

Pam Stubing, retail analyst with Moody's Investors Services, said: "It's not only UK companies which have trouble here. A great many US retailers have had trouble in Europe." I think it's a culture problem and a very fine line of managerial judgment can be the difference between death or success.

"The French group Galeries Lafayette is having trouble with its not French enough - if they change, maybe others will say it is not American enough. Without question, America is incredibly competitive and I'm not sure overseas companies really appreciate what that means before they set up here," she added.

Two UK chains stand out in America: one for its immediate US appeal, the other for determination. Anita Roddick's "cosmetics with a conscience" Body Shop chain has been a conspicuous success. Desolte recent UK profit warnings from the group, its American business is



Conspicuous success: the rapidly growing Body Shop chain has recently opened its 100th US shop

reported to have grown eight fold and opened its hundredth store in the half year to the end of August.

Marks and Spencer takes the award for determination. Sir Richard Greenbury, its chairman and chief executive, was in New York last month telling American newspapers and magazines that despite rumours in Britain to the contrary, he had no intention of selling Brooks Brothers. He told American journalists tartly:

We're here for the long run." The traditional men's clothing store for which M&S paid \$750 million in 1988 is clair providing returns at last. Severe cost cutting and tighter management controls via an inventory computer system pushed operating profits up 30 per cent for the six months to the end of September on a 10 per cent sales increase. That built on a 64 per cent operating profits rise in the year ending last March, when sales rose

only 4.6 per cent. With the purchase of the 174-yearold retailing chain, M&S took on a monumental task of transformation. Its traditional customers, those who think little of buying a \$600 suit, are

resistant to change but came from a time past. The installation of escalators is reported to have almost brought on palpitations. The customers Brooks targets, younger clientele, are unaware of any change that would bring them into the store.

The struggle appears far from over. In a land where packaging is considered almost everything, M&S refuses to promote. William V Roberti, Brooks Brothers president, says: "We don't spend a whole lot on advertising and marketing - we don't believe in it." But retail consulfrom the tops of a Manhattan skyscraper before it brings in the

alter Levy, an indepen-dent New York retail consultant, believes Brooks is trapped in its past image. He said: "They have no credibility with the updated customer. They cannot go out of their suits," Brooks Brothers' present idea of being hip is a new line of mix and match suits for prices between \$240

and \$325, called its Wardrobe Collec-

tion. Its new range of shirts carries, rather daringly, a button visible through the breast pocket.

A further sacrifice to twentieth century retailing is the display of the men's boxer shorts, now in stand-alone racks. For the store which dressed presidents, the Rockefellers and Hollywood film stars, to have the underwear outside the protection of glass topped cabinets is viewed as an important breakthrough.

The store recognises changes which the recession has brought by the quintessential suit-wearers of lawyers into unemployment. Despite the bumper bonuses predicted for those still employed this year, Brooks believes many of them will think twice before spending \$600 on a suit. And it dismisses adverse consumer reports on one of its suits, saying it was a 1989 model and would not be available in the stores today.

Ms Stubing added: "I don't know about Brooks. People are just not wearing suits any more. Men's clothing is the first thing to be sacrificed in a recession. Marks and Spencer paid an awful lot of money

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for the store and they have been incredibly patient, but who knows for

General optimism among retailers is growing, however. The Christmas selling season in America, which starts just after the Thanksgiving holiday, got off to a strong start on November 27 with queues around the block at the famous New York toy store FAO Schwarz Economists expect a 5 per cent to 8 per cent rise in takings this year, changing the earlier view that this could be the third consecutive season of gloom.

Retailers are reluctant to open the champagne this far from Christmas, and it remains to be seen whether a growing consumer confidence will

translate into sales for all sectors.
For Ratners, which will close 150 of 1,000 US stores over the next three years, the jury is still out. Suzanne Wolkenfeld, Moody's analyst on the company, said: "It's too early to judge whether this apparent rebound in confidence will send consumers out buying high-end jewellery again.

Sterling [the US arm of Ramets] is highly geared to diamond sales. I think they will benefit, but it remains to be seen how much this will affect high-end products. Jewellery was always thought to be recession-proof ... graduation, engagement, mar-

riage, these were things which continue whatever the economy, but this was shown to be false. You do not need a big diamond ring to get engaged," she added.

graphic example of tough conditions arrived recently with the decision by Tiffany to stage a promotion and attempt to sell itself as an affordable jeweller emphasising the average price of a Tiliany purchase was \$200. Ms Wolkenfeld added: "You can

see how tough things have become when a store like Titiany takes a chance promoting itself as middle range and affordable. This is not truly its image, but it has to do something because people are not going to be spending the big money."

Those taking the retailing temperature across the American shopping malls last weekend confirmed the trend toward practical presents. Large department stores are now challenging chains such as The Gap, selling simple turtleneck shirts and jogging suits at below the prices of the high street chains.

Although sales at The Gap are beginning to show signs of tailing off, it is one of only two US companies held up as successfully selling its

Toys R Us is the other. Toy retailers report no super-selling toy this year, several products. The craze for video games has been replaced by dolls and bicycles. And gifts include the odd sing-along Karaoke machine. Lyrics of the shopkeepers' favourite tune would speak of a cold snap in the weather to encourage a festive mood among shoppers and a better economy, the cornerstone of high street

.What makes them shiver is whether spending will be sustained when President Clinton's tax increases begin to bite into middle class incomes next year.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Minorco plays happy families

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IN THE week before Christmas, it is happy families time at Minorco, the natural resources group with close connections with Anglo American, De Beers and the legendary Harry Oppenhei-mer. Harry's son-in-law, Hank Slack, Minorco's president since 1985, becomes Minorco's chief executive, and Minorco's two joint managing directors have resigned -Roger Phillimore, Harry's godson, is off to dabble in the arts, while Tony Lea goes back to his old stomping ground, South Africa. He will re-join Anglo American in a senior position, yet to be announced. Peter Burnell, nine years with Anglo in South America, and, more recently, a consultant to Midland Bank, joins Minorco's board. Just to prove that you do not have to be related to be taken on. Peter Wilmot-Sitwell, chairman of SG Warburg Securities and vice-chairman of SG Warburg Group, also takes up a director's seat.

Baring down

MORE signs of loss of confidence are emerging in the European department at Barings Securities. After making a major retreat from Europe in September, with redundancies from top to bottom, Baring is now losing Adrian Phil-lips, head of European research for the past year. Phillips, 36, joined Baring after ten years at Kleinwort Benson where he was rated the number one German analyst by



Extel. Known to be unhappy with Baring's recent decisions, he is returning to his old sector as head of German research at Société Générale Equities. Hugh Hughes, managing di-rector of SGE, says he is delighted finally to have Phillips on board - he first tried to recruit him at Savory Milln five

PAUL Keating. Australia's ir-repressibly republican prime minister, was obviously trying to mask the impact of his government's decision to sell a quarter of the national carrier Qantas (the former Qantas Empire Airways) to the noble Lord King's British Airways when he announced yesterday that new Australians would no longer need to swear allegiance to the Queen. Vive l'Australie libre. Lord King is, no doubt, thinking.

Japanese landings

THERE were always those who compared strategic inward investment in this coun-

try by the big Japanese corporations with the creation of aircraft carrier Britain - moored off continental Europe ready to dispatch locally built Japanese cars and consumer electronics into battle over European market share. Could it be that earnest Japanese investors have taken it all too seriously? It certainly makes one wonder, when Toyota opens a new plant near Derby on a former airfield. Honda's plant at Swindon, Wiltshire, was also built on an old airfield. Is this mere coincidence, or should questions be asked at the Ministry of Defence? REVENGE was taken on mo-

bile phone-carrying yuppies yesterday among the 170,000 users of Vodafone. High-powered types ringing in for their messages at lunchtime found there were none — only a voice there were none — only a voice bidding them "good bye". Vodafone denied a disgruntled employee hacked into the system and sabotaged it by inputting the message, which took two hours to clear. "There was a fault on the playback was a fault on the playback system," a spokeswoman said. Sounds plausible ... Anyone up to no good would probably have left a message that was

Masters plan

SINCE the Tate Gallery announced plans for a £100 million new museum of modern art, some people have been wondering if Dennis Stevenson, chairman of the Tate trustees, might use his Docklands connections to secure an interim home for the modern masters. Stevenson, also a director of Pearson, was on the

founding London Docklands Development Corporation and a director until 1988. He is chairman of the Docklands Sinfonietta and, he told us yesterday, does not rule out a temporary Docklands site. "Communications is the absolutely critical issue, "he says. "People have got to be able to get there. If I was still on the LODC I'd be saying this is exactly the reason why we need the Jubilee Line." Currenty. the government is hoping to approve the Jubilee Line in the new year. If it does, Stevenson will be open to suggestions.

Ringing a change

THE political antennae were bristling yesterday as next year's top City PR job - the £5 billion privatisation of the third tranche of British Telecom - went to Brunswick rather than Dewe Rogerson. the government's old favour-ite. DR have handled 90 per cent of the government privatisation work to date and seemed certain to win BT3. worth £2 million in fees. Old hands were suggesting yesterday that it all came down to SG Warburg, the merchant bank. Last week, the government dismayed other banks by giving Warburg all three financial roles on BT3 — global co-ordinator, financial adviser and lead broker. After that, it was thought to be a matter of political expediency to ring the changes on the PR job at least. Earlier this year, Brunswick handled the aborted GPA flotation and the Wellcome share issue but BT3 will be its first

government privatisation.

Keep new pension measures simple From Mr C. Brandon Gough discriminate against a soci-Sir, In your Comment (December 15) you provide a neat

summation of the multitude of submissions to Professor Roy Goode's Pension Law Review Committee. As chairman of an organisation which has itself recently given its propos-als to Professor Goode I endorse your assessment of the

key themes that are emerging. However, I take issue with your conclusion that employees would be necessarily better off investing in personal pen-sions if companies are unable to meet stringent rules. The Goode Committee has necessarily focused on occupational pension schemes and it is here that any reforms will result. but there remains a danger that a new framework for one part of the pensions fabric will

Postal disservice

From Mr Anthony de Trafford Sir, Five years ago, the post-man delivered The Times to me. But postal workers apparently complained about the extra work involved and a vote was taken. The rural postmen were all for maintaining the service but were ourvoted and rural communities lost a helpful service they were happy to pay for.

Annoyingly, the deliveries of unwanted leaflets continued, and this service meant the postman had to call at every house regardless.

Maybe it is time management decided what tasks its employees performed and they in turn might appreciate the benefits of working for an organisation that fulfilled customer needs to help secure their jobs. Yours faithfully.

ANTHONY DE TRAFFORD. Little Wernypentre, DEBRA ISAAC | Clyro, Radnorshire.

lose customers ety's need to provide choice in the provision of pensions. We urge the introduction of simple measures covering pension arrangements so that the need

for greater regulation is tempered by the need to encourage occupational pension The UK leads Europe in the

provision of a cost effective private pension arrangement with the minimum of state intervention. We must endeavour to protect and promote the UK pensions industry while ensuring that the rules are strengthened to prevent abuse. Yours faithfully, C. BRANDON GOUGH, Chairman,

Coopers & Lybrand, Chartered Accountants, 1 Embankment Place, WC2.

Ask early for cash

From Mr Richard Witney

Loughton.

tive or discount, we simply "ask for the money", not when it is overdue but always one week before it is due! I have always felt that this is the easy way of ensuring both payment on time and a healthy bank balance, I suspect those who complain are as usual those who just sit back and wait. Yours faithfully RICHARD WITNEY, Managing Director. Abbey Plastics Ltd. Abbey Works, Rectory Lane,

Sir, I write concerning the correspondence on larger companies and prompt payment. Almost all of our company's clients are "large" and we have absolutely no problems with payment of their accounts within 30 days from

We do not offer any incen-Yours faithfully, Willow Cottage, Lower Dingle. West Malvern,

Computing how to is not so dotty

From Mr Alan M. Pardoe Sir, A few months ago, I purchased a computer from a manufacturer that is a public limited company. This week, I contacted the company with a view to buying some extra memory for the computer. I spoke to the sales office, who assured me that I could come to their office and purchase the said memory boards.

On my arrival, the salesman went off in search of the items. Twenty minutes later, he reappeared to ask how I was going to pay for them. I said by cheque, backed with a guarantee card. The sum involved was about £160. He said that they would only release goods on cleared cheques or by credit card or cash.

I do not have any credit cards, nor had 1 £160 in my pocket, and I pointed out that could write out two cheques to cover the total, each covered by a £100 cheque card; but no, he was quite adamant. I was not pleased, having made a round trip of 50 miles and taken most of the afternoon to achieve nothing.

I find this attitude quite incredible; all they had to do was to make a telephone call to ascertain the validity of the card and cheque. This is precisely what a rival company did for me the next day and the boards were £40 cheaper!

Have any of your readers had similar experiences? ALAN M. PARDOE. Worcestershire.

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Chatset's record

From Mr John Rew Sir, You recently carried criticism of our Guide to Syndicate Run-offs, including a quote that our figures were "dotty". Any member of Lloyd's would be excused for wishing that we did not have such a reliable record for accurate prediction; although we are alert for signs of hubris.

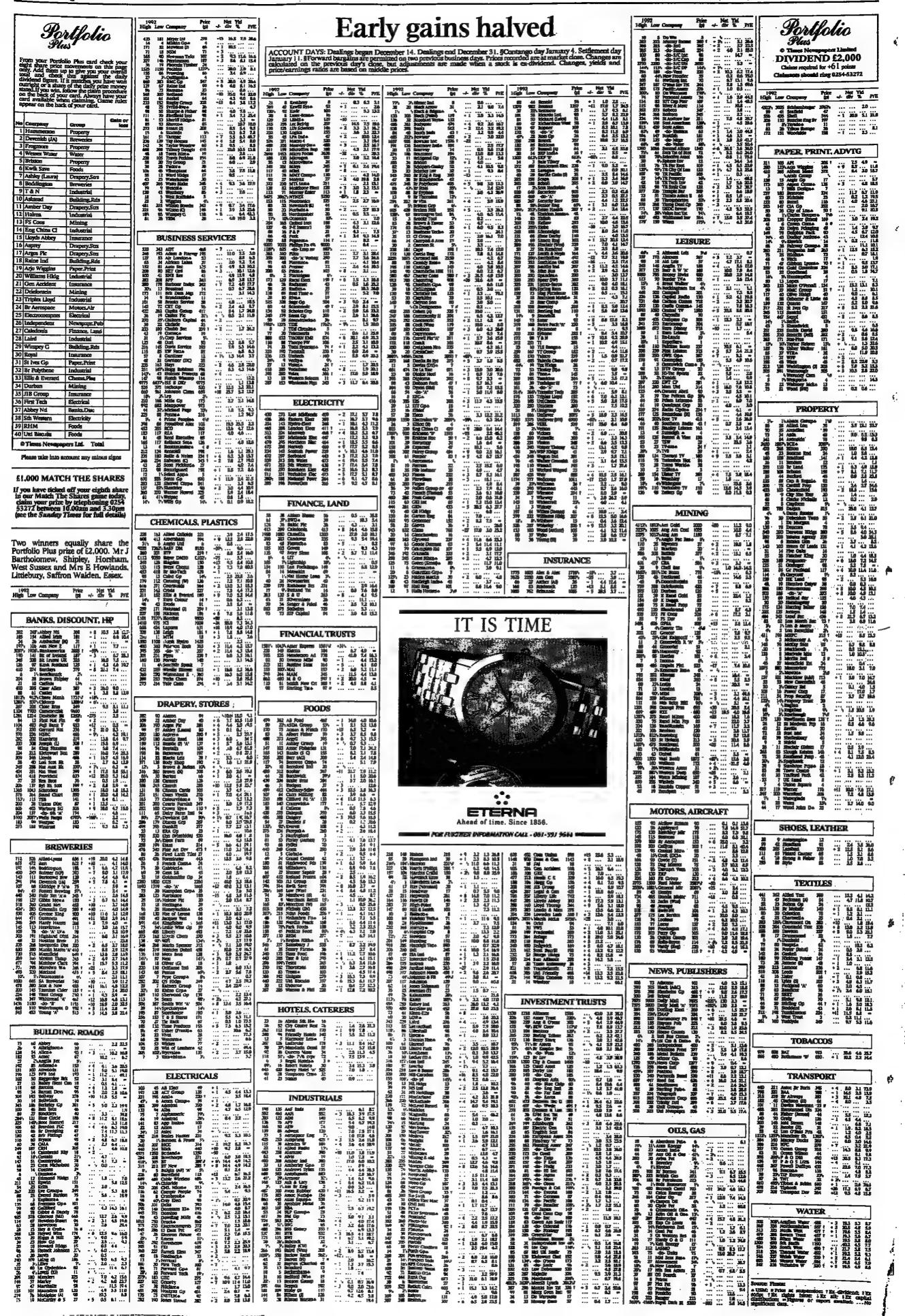
We are seeing the fruits of years of indiscipline and lack of rectitude among market practitioners, which are not going to be blown away by frothy comments.

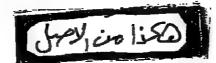
The great imponderable about Lloyd's, and the thought that must deter any punter from joining this no longer exclusive club, is that it has always been wrong to be optimistic and, particularly, that longtail liabilities appear to be only capable of producing unpleasant surprises. Yours faithfully, JOHN REW, Chatset Ltd.

PO Box Number 661,

Indirect advisers

From Mr Grenville Hewitt Sir. In her article on the advisory panel that is to help economic decision-making (December 9), Janet Bush quotes the Chief Economic Adviser to the Treasury as saying: "We really want to hear what these people have to say and, indirectly, the Chan-cellor will hear it." I am amazed that the Chancellor will only hear from the experts "indirectly" and thereby risk distortion and censorship. Yours faithfully, GRENVILLE HEWITT 52 Makins Road, Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire.





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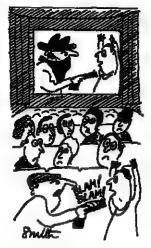
madness A FILM where the audience is able to choose from 68 plot lines, determine the face of characters and the

story ending had its première in New York this As the 20-minute-long, high-tech, interactive film progressed, the 75 members of the audience shouted among themselves about the choices flashed

with three buttons so viewers could vote. Members of the audience can vote at designated plot junctures. Results are instantly tallied and displayed on the screen and the film moves ahead in the

on the screen. Each seat

was fitted with a pistol grip



chosen direction. The ma-

The film, I'm Your Man, was shown at a specially equipped cinema in Manhattan. Seven similar cinemas are to be opened in the United States in the next two months.

Sore point

HOSPITAL computer systems are not helping patients, according to a report by the Audit Commission.

It says nurses are not keen on using computers, and often do not receive proper training on how to use them. Hospital managers are also making little constructive use of the data

once it had been obtained and none of the hospitals in the study had estimated the

full costs or benefits of the Mini marvel

FUJITSU is to launch an £800 pocket mobile phone in the United States that has a built in voice answer chip. When users are unable or unwilling to answer their phone, a built-in pager answers calls. The feature can record up to five telephone numbers.

Disc-count

BRITONS benefit from the cheapest compact discs in the EC — while the Irish pay the most. The finding comes despite complaints

that disc prices are kept artificially high in Britain. The cost of living survey, carried out by Employment Conditions Abroad, found the average price of a CD in Britain was £12.78. In Ireland the same discs cost

Brain wave

A NEW microwave techology capable of simultaneously transmitting dozens of television channels has been approved in America. Cellular Vision is a microwave system that uses cells similar to those in cellular telephone systems to transmit video to homes equipped with a small window antenna.

In contrast to cable TV ystems, which entail digging up the road to bury the wiring Cellular Vision uses radio signals capable of transmitting up to 49 channels.

Spy or nerd? A COMPUTER whizkid.

aged 28, who reportedly once tested security procedures for the United States defence department in the 1980s, has become the first alleged computer hacker in America to be charged with espionage. The US govern-ment says Kevin Lee Poulsen stole classified military secrets and should go to prison. But his lawyer calls him "an intellectually curious computer nerd". Mr Poulsen worked as a consultant testing Pentagon computer security.

No hiding place from big Ears

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High technology in schools could put an end to the age old problem of pupils playing truant,

London school will, after the Christmas holidays, Lake part in a pilot project that could consign the traditional school register to the museum. The students, based at the North Westminster Community School, are to have their morning and afternoon attendance record logged by a laptop computer which can then be checked

reveals Nick Nuttall

at the start of each lesson.

The system, which will connect classrooms directly with a larger personal computer in the school office by radio link, is being tested as a weapon in the fight against truancy.

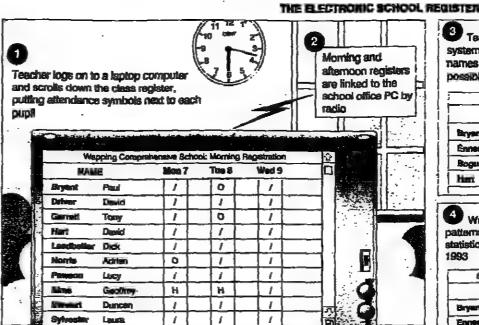
Under new Department for Education rules, which come into force next September, schools will have to publish truancy rates. The depart-ment announced a £10 million package in July to encourage local education authorities to test innovative ideas using new technology to compile the figures and combat

Up to 60 of 108 local education authorities in England could be successful in securing government grants in the New Year and several manufacturers of rival technologies are vying to win contracts to supply systems in schools.

The scheme at the North Westminster will test a technology called the Electronic Attendance Registration System (Ears). It is the invention of engineers at Bromcom, a company based in Bromley, Kent. Ali Guryel, the managing director, says more than 20 school authorities want to test the pilot system, which he estimates will cost between £8,000 and £15,000.

Tony Fieldhouse, the headmaster of Manor Farm Community School, Walsall, in the West Midlands, is enthusiatic about the system. Over the past three years the secondary school, which teaches pupils aged 11 to 18, has been developing a formula - using information such as reading age and sex - to predict a child's likely attendance.

Mr Fieldhouse believes this experimental work could have national



cial backing to computerise our claimed for Ears is that it can spot pupils attending morning and after-noon register, but who then skip registration and also for the software that can use our formula." he says. At the heart of the electronic lessons. Precisely how many children register is a laptop computer the size of a sheet of A4 paper. Form teachers taking morning and afternoon regisare indulging in this form of truancy is not known, but the numbers are believed to be high. Figures suggest

tration can scroll down the class list

on the screen and tap in next to each

may be working at the local market

unbeknown to his or her parents.

The system will highlight pupils who are regularly absent and allow officers and teachers to investigate

where the child might be and

whether their sick notes are authen-

tic. The technology can handle a near

limitless number of registers being

beamed in from around the school

and, says Bromcom, teachers can use

their laptop computers as a personal

that in some inner-city schools more than half the pupils that should be present are absent in their last year of name a symbol that denotes whether compulsory education. a pupil is present, absent, late or off A better picture will be available in Once the register has been taken January when researchers at the the teacher transmits the information truancy unit of the University of

via a radio link rather than having to stroll round to the school office to hand over a 'In some inner-city schools paper file. Meanwhile, in the more than half the pupils office, an education welfare officer can, for example, study are absent in their last year the data to spot suspicious attendance patterns. For instance, a child who is consisof compulsory education' tentiv off sick one afternoon a week may be genuinely ill or

an in-depth survey.
Using Ears, teachers taking lessons

during the day can log into the system and query the morning and afternoon register. The office computer will match the list of children that should be taking, say, geography at 11 o'clock with their morning registers from various forms. By scanning the database from the classroom, the geography teacher can instantly see which pupils appear to system from the classroom. The office PC will send back the names of pupils who should be in class, alerting teachers to

Teachers taking lessons later in the day can log on to the

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Wetfare officers can program the system to study suspicious patterns of pupil attendance. Schools must compile truancy statistics to meet new education department rules in September

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parents, for the head to sign, that asks them to account for their child's Other systems are also being looked at to meet the education department rules. Some schools, such as the Elizabeth Garrett Anderson

The system can also be pro-

grammed to print a standard letter to

school in Islington, north London, have been testing swipe or smart cards. These cards can be swiped through reading equipment to log attendance and give pupils and teachers access to classrooms. Martin Coles, the deputy head, denies that swipe cards have created a prison mentality at the school. He believes suggestions that the cards smack of "Big Brother" are misplaced and reflect the attl-

tudes of older people rather than students growing up in a modern high-tech world. The North London publish results from attitude of the girls is that the cards give them more responsibility, which they respect." Mr Coles says.

But Mr Fieldhouse has reservations about these type of systems. "We see difficulty with the smart card. It could be open to considerable abuse in the hands of children. What happens if they swap their cards, or one collects several from pupils who decide to be absent?"

Some schools, including North Westminster Community School and Tower Hamlets College, have been testing another system called optical mark readers. These take paperbased registers, read them, and put the information on to a database. Optical mark readers require a member of staff to feed paper registers into a machine which puts

the information into a computer.
Which of these systems will, in the end, win the lion's share of the education market will depend on cost, performance and ease of use. Their future may also depend on the outcome of a conference, Improving School Anendance: What Lessons Have We Learned?, to be held at the University of Huddersfield in July next year. Eric Blyth, senior lecturer in social work at the university. believes the meeting will allow experts the chance to swop experiences with the various technologies.

At the very least, he hopes the systems can deliver reliable data from which accurate truancy statistics can be compiled. However, Mr Blyth fears this may be harder than at first appears. Recently there was outrage among some schools over the accuracy of the new exam tables. Presumably getting accurate information on exam performances is considerably simpler than atten-dance rates. If the furore caused over the exam tables is a precursor of what is to come in September, when attendance rates are published, then the information may be worthless,"

Pass the choc ices, love

n orgy of television watching is about to take place as the nation prepares for Christmas. This year those with the space and money can take advantage of the latest developments to install systems that manufacturers are referring to as

"home cinema". Although in its infancy, the makers of such systems hope that they will eventually be able to interest millions in ever bigger screens and hi-fidelity sound in an attempt to recreate the quality of cinema screens and sound systems without leaving the armchair.

Because most televisions in use today are monophonic, the sound tracks of films and videos are compressed from their original stereo sound into one channel. Using the latest systems, however, film and video sound is decoded so that sound tracks are changed back into the surround sound stereo of the original.

Acquiring such systems, however, can take plenty of money and space. Pioneer offers a 50-inch widescreen projection television for £3,300 and is selling a 70 inch model in Japan. A more modest state-of-the-art Toshiba television costs £2,000 for a 34-inch screen with external speakers, built-in Nicam stereo and Dolby surround-sound decoder. Nicam, or near instantaneous compounded audio multiplex sound, is now broadcast on some programmes with transmitters able to deliver compact-disc clarity to about 90 per cent of the country.

Dolby surround sound is the four-channel sound used for many films. Decoded in the home, it divides the sound into left and right stereo, background sound and a central channel for dialogue. But a do-it-yourself ap-

Morse prices on Toshiba.

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T3200SXC 386, 120Mb, colour TFT, mains portable.... \$4695 £1990

T6400DX 486DX/33MHz 200Mb/4Mb, plasma £3530 £2750 T6400DXC 486DX/33MHz 200Mb/4Mb, colour TFT ... £5450 £3995

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For the armchair film-buff the Japanese are marketing a TV costing £3,300. Or you can do it vourself starting at about £6



Philips is to sell CD-Movie TVs and sing-along systems

proach to home cinema can provide cheaper access to this technology. "Despite the recession, home cinema keeps growing," claims John Hollingsworth, the manager of the Manchester electronics store Practical Hi-Fi.

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"People are building complete systems for £900 to £1,000 with a new amplifier. two rear speakers and an extra dialogue speaker," he says.

Demand for home cinema

systems is highest from fans of effects-packed action film spectaculars of the Terminator or Rambo variety. Although the value of a dialogue channel speaker for

these films might be question-

able, keen home-cinema addicts say that a sub-wooter for extra bass is a must. For added realism, a third digital decoding system called Pro-Logic can be used to replicate the acoustics of given locations, such as a theatre or

concert hall. Most stereo televisions with

Nicam cost about £400, but the same effect can be achieved by attaching a Nicam video cassette recorder to an ordinary television set.

The specialist magazine What Video recommends finking a Nicam VCR to a hi-fi system and then parking its speakers either side of an old set as the cheapest way to achieve stereo television.

Alternatively, Cambridge-based Arcam has developed a £200 Nicam television tuner which can be used to produce Nicam sound through a hi-fi

In the event that immersion in so-called "real sound" from these devices fails to satisfy, a number of alternative sensory delights are also on the horizon.

n the middle distance are emerging technologies such as 1250-line high-definition televisions that will cost around \$2,000, while further into the future is that science-fiction favourite threedimensional television.

Japanese camera manufacturer lkegami has devised a twin-lens camera to create 3-D display at a rate of 100 times a

The 3-D image would be broadcast on odd and even lines on a television screen and viewed through special polarised glasses, a prospect only slightly less enticing than the use of virtual reality headsets. These interactive systems,

which contain tiny liquid crys-

tal displays, could even be

linked to a computer image bank which would respond to movements of the headgear. One interactive technology that will be launched next year by Philips and JVC is CD-Movie. Based on laser disc technology its chief uses are expected to be in sing-along karaoke systems and eventual-

ly in interactive films. Pethaps the least costly route to enhanced viewing pleasure lives in sharpening television reception with the use of a Scart lead that can cost as little as £6.

This device uses a pair of 21pin connectors designed to enable you to link televisions. videos and other units by bypassing the aerial socker.

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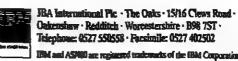
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Still life at the end of the world

GALLERIES: Richard Cork on the disturbing work of Tim Head, in

which nothing is quite what it seems

ntering the White-chapel Art Gallery is like finding yourself transported, for a second, from the trafficchoked winter city to an empty stretch of countryside in high summer. The immense floor is covered entirely with cricketpitch green, and the far wall has become a clear expanse of sky blue. Untroubled to the point of blandness, this seemingly idyllic locale promises an exhibition filled with innocent delight.

But Tim Head, whose miniretrospective takes up both floors of the gallery, ensures that the placidity is short-lived. As our feet crunch jarringly on the hard Astrotur carpeting, the illusion of nature's hishness gives way to a nasty synthetic alternative. And the blue side-walls turn out to be an ironic backdrop for twotiered ranks of billboard-size images, presiding over the space like vast, implacable sentinels

The change of mood is disquieting. Suddenly, the whole ground-floor space with its sturdy white pillars resembles the nave

of a temple. 'Revulsion is which alien gods are protected by the forms gazing out from the walls? Head does sense of hot reveal their identity. attraction' But whether they resemble

scimitars. goggles or shields, their speckled, metallic sheen suggests armoured surveillance. They bork in their canvases like helmeted presences, silently dedicated to monitoring every

move we make. The scanned ink-jet process ונווזק מו בפי niatic images adds to their eriness. Neither convex nor concave, they hover on their grey half-tone grounds as spectres from another world. The fact that Head based them on shapes used in packaging and presentation does nothing to detract from their ominous impact. By the time he has transformed them with the aid of photo-copying, collage and enlargement, their familiarity is masked by mystery. They look like mutants, serving the indefinable purpose of a Big Brother whose passion for control is boundless. Head has grouped the whole series under the collective title Thirteen Most Wanted, and their impersonal air of menace nlight well signify criminal

In the end, though, these hybrids frustrate any attempt to limit them to a single meaning. And Head himself shares their elusiveness. Now

gained a reputation during the 1970s for his intriguing yet tantalising installations with projected light and a minimum of props. Spare, delicately calculated and almost hallucinatory in their effect, they confounded expecof the sinister implications envenoming his recent work.

Although they questioned the camera's supposed objectivity, and left the sinister implications. and left the viewer with an awareness of conundrum. Head was not yet ready to spike them with Kafkaesque

In the Whitechapel's small audio-visual mom, a slide presentation smoothly docu-ments many of these early installations. While conveying very little of their former power, the slide piece does at least prove how much Head has changed since then. For the audio-visual room is opposite the gallery's cafe, where one wall has been lined with a recent, banner-like frieze of identical, voracious faces, all bent on devouring each other. His starting-point here was the smiling head motif used in the Happy

Eater motorrants. removing the tempered by a paradoxical larging the open mouth to a grotesque extent, he ends up with a consumerist nightmare of

cannibalistic proportions. Its cartoon brashness could hardly be further removed from the cool, almost rarefied understatement of his

early installations. Even so, the case piece is in no sense typical of Head's work today. The stairs to the darkened chamber, lit only by two diraly glowing ultra-violet tubes lodged in the ceiling. They ensure that hundreds of self-adhesive labels festooning the walls stand out against the blackness like a myriad multicoloured stars. Spattered with orange, scarlet and green par-ticles, which shine more vividly than their blue companions. this seductive room shows how much unexpected poetry can be conjured from banal, readymade stationer's ware. Head gives the installation a sting in the tail by calling it Made on that the entire heavenly vision is based on nothing more uplifting than ephemeral, sec-

ular products. Emerging from the womb-like prettiness of Made on Earth, we are confronted with a harsher diagnosis of contemporary life. In the Orwellian year of 1984, Head decided to become a studio-based photographer for a while. He



Giverny after the Fall: puce plastic detritus pollutes a location akin to Monet's water-lily pond in Tim Head's Petrochemicaland III, 1991

assembled a gruesome array of the sleaziest objects on sale in the shops, and built them up into a monstrous metropolis where pink dildos become skyscrapers and scale models nuclear bombers glide through the streets. Saturated with images of commercialised sex. Nazi insignia, computer war-games and garish amounts to a lurid indictment of the late 20th century at its most squalid. Head stresses the saleability of this tawdry merchandise by photogra-phing his tableau as glossily as the most hard-hitting advertisement. But despite the horrible opulence of this large Cibachrome photograph. everything seems to be veiled in dimness - as if vaseline had

n State of the Art Head shows the most denunciatory side of his multifaceted outlook, and it spawned a whole sequence of equally disturbing images. The skulls which played a minor role in this photograph dominate Still Life (Erasers) where, heaped up like the contents of a shadowy charnel house, they lose their original playfulness and become macabre. Head's obsession with updating the vanitas tradition led him in a melancholy

been smeared over the lens.

direction. Dwelling so heavily on extinction threatened to rob his art of its subtlety. The stealthy complexity of the installations was exchanged for an openly polemical stance, fired by gloomy warnings of decadence and the grave.

Once Head turned his attention to despoiled landscapes, though, revulsion was temattraction. The glutinous substances floating in Toxic Lagoon stir our appalled fascination as they seem to grow like funghi in the dyed blue water. As for the puce plastic detritus bobbing in Petrochemicaland III, it pollutes a location akin to Monet's water-lily pond: Giverny after the Fall.

The feeling of loss becomes clearer still when Head's attitude to food is compared with the Pop artists, whose interests he often shares. They celebrared the consumerist abundance of supermarket shelves, whereas he views the same subject with anxiety and nausea. Taking a high-spirited design from Sainsbury's milk carrons, Head distorted the merry cows so violently that they end up as Dubuffet-like biological monstrosities. The other surprise about Cow Mutations, which won the John Moores First Prize in 1987, is that Head painted it by hand on canvas

- something he had not done since his student days. The abstraction inherent in

the mutation of images allows Head to escape from the overliteral emphasis of photo-graphic works like Still Life (Erasers). It also allows him to roam more freely through the image-bank opened up by technological advances. Satellite radar recordings provided him with a new map of the world, and he uses it in Dark Planet to produce a writhing, seething vision of a world convulsed with unnamed tremors. Acid-green forms flicker and swirl against blackness, as if struggling to retain their coherence. They look

mood to hold out facile hopes about their long-term survival. Downstairs, by contrast, Thirteen Most Wanted loom down from their wails, waiting for the moment to assume full, dehumanised control.

■ Tim Head is at the Whitechapel Art Gallery, Whitechapel High Street, London E! (071-377 0107)

• ART FROM CONTEM-PORARY CROATIA: The most amazing thing about this show is that it has been put on at all, emanating as it does from a Zagreb so recently in the front line. Not so surprising is the variety and vitality of the Croatian art on display: strongly expressive colour is the rule, whether the art is tending towards abstraction, like many of the paintings at the Mall Galleries, or more to the sophisticated/ naive, like those at Roy Miles. And though the show is in aid of Croatian medical charities, very little in it refers to war or pain; for all the emotional

pan; for all the emotional intensity, optimism keeps breaking through.

Mall Galleries, The Mall, SW1. (071-930 6844) Daily 10am-5pm. Roy Miles Gallery, 29 Bruton St. W1. (071-495 4747) Mon-Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 11am-4pm, until December 22 December 22.

A CENTURY OF MUSI-CALS: Of all theatrical forms, the musical, from grand opera to revue, must have spawned the most speciacular, exotic and irrational designs. At the top of the scale you have Bakst and Lovat Fraser; lower down you have Erté and Gladys Calthrop. Most of the original designs in this show belong to the lower strata, but are no less diverting for that.

Lyttelton Circle Foyer, National Theatre, South Bank, SE1. (071-928 2033) Daily 10am-midnight, until Feb 6.

ODAWSON'S ARMY: Eric Dawson was 21 when he was called up in 1939, and spent most of his war in North Africa. A serious artist with the skills of a cartoonist, he clearly used his warnime sketch books as a sort of diary, recording the soldier's life mainly off duty and mainly unheroic. The result is a charming and vivid

record. National Army Museum, Royal Hospital Road, SW3. (071-730 0717) Mon-Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun 2-5.30pm, until May 31. Closed Dec 24-26, Jan 1.

JOHN RUSSELL TAYLOR

Rambert boss makes sudden exit

TIME for a change at the financially beleaguered Ramhert Dance Company? The company has announced the sudden departure of its artistic director, Richard Alston, "As part of the ongoing development of Rambert Dance Company the board announces that Richard Alston will shortly be leaving his position as anistic director, the brief statement said. "The board thanks him for his contribution in recent years and will announce further plans for the future of Rambert Dance Company in the new year." Alston's departure calls into question the future of the works he choreographed for Rambert since becoming di-retor in 1986.

•MARCH 30 is the date set for the London opening of the latest Broadway musical to hit the West End. City of Angels, with its Cy Coleman music, will open at the Prince of Wales Theatre, following previews from March 19. The show, set in the world of 1940s private eye films and musical comedies, ran for two years on Broadway, picking up six Tony awards.

Leap year?

THE long awaited British de-but of William Forsythe's Hrankfurt Ballet will be one of



the highlights of the 1993 Year of Dance, which takes place in the East Midlands next year. The Frankfurt comparry, which will present works by its American director, will appear at the Leicester Haymarket in October.

More than 100 professional dance companies and over 2,000 amateurs will take part in the Year of Dance, the second of the Arts Council's Arts 2000 initiatives which this year celebrated music in Birmingham. "Dance For 93" will be held at 60 venues in the Fast Midlands.

Highlights from Britain include the world premiere (January 27, Derby Playhouse) of Arc Dance Company's latest creation, Antic. based on Hamlet and choreographed by Kim Brandstrup; and two commissions specially conceived for Nottingham's Angel Row Gallery from Rosemary Butcher (March 16) and Shobana Jeyasingh (June 14).

● PAINTERS do not need paintbrushes! "Discarding



Richard Alston: leaving Rambert after six years

the Brush" is the theme of the major exhibition at the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam this winter. It is about the art of Chinese finger painting of which the greatest exponent was a Peking court official and minister of justice, Gao Qipei (1660-1734). He used his long, sharp nails, dipped in black ink, to produce fine, detailed pictures of birds and flowers. As his nails grew blunter he turned to landscapes with sweeping lines and splashes of ink. Then he would sharpen his nails and start again. The show includes 75 scroll paintings and 125 album pages, more than half of them by Gao Qipei. It runs until February 28.

Last chance.... WITH the centenary of

Tchaikovsky's death coming up, productions of his ballets will be widespread. But the Royal Ballet scheduled its quota of Swan Lake early, and tomorrow night's perfor-mance at Covent Garden (071-240 1066/1911) is the last this season. Anthony Dowell's staging has been criticised, but it has more of the classic choreography by Petipa and Ivanov than most, and with Viviana Durante and Irek Mukhamedov in the leads you will probably have to



LONDON

ALCINA: Handel's opera is given a new staging to the American director Opera. Yvonne kenn, sings the life role Ann Murray, kathleen Kuhimann, Anthony Rollo Johnson, Judet Howard and Stallard Dean complete an impressive cast. John Figher who as music director bansformed the fortunes of Vence's La Fence, makes his Coveril.

Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, WC2 (071 240 1066), tonight, 7pm CONDOM SYMPHONY
ORICHESTRA: Sir Georg Selfi conducte
Bruckner's massive Symphony No 8 in
a concert which marks both the centernary of the work's firs

performance and the year of the conductor's 80th britiday Barbican, Sili-Street EC2 (071-638 8891), tonight, 7 30pm ORFEC: Philip Pickoth's radical approach to Monteverd is not to all approach to Monteverd is not to all tactes, but the results are usually provide away in the best sense. Here he and the New London Consort sum the attention to the opera I Orfece Solosista moude John Mark Analoy, Catherine Bott and Christopher Roberon Queen Elizabeth Half, South Bark, \$51,0071,009 990th Bark \$456.

HAMLET: If entroth Branagh returns to the RSC to play the Prince, with splend supporting cast directed by Adnan Noble Plans lour-and-a-half hours Barblean, Silk Street EC2 (071-638 8891) Opens tonight, 6 30pm, tomorrow, 12 30pm and 6 30pm, then

with the shapiny harculs are promoting a new album of rapinsharp rock and roll numbers. Mondo Sicano Britton Academy Stockwell Road, SW3 (071-335 1022), Sun, 7pm ANNIE GET YOUR GUN: Irvita Berlin's pre-leminist musical is no model for a Nirreties woman but the songs are for a running woman out the songs the simply terrific. Prince of Walles. Coverny, Street W1 (071-830 5967) Tues-Sat 7-30pm, mars Thurs, Sat, Sun 3pm, 190mms (closed Christmas day and Dec 28)

CAROUSEL: Joanna Riding and Michael Hayden star in a triumphant revival of the Rodgors & Hammersign National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-328 252). Tonight, lamorrow 7 30pm, mai tomorrow 2 15pm 180mms

CI CYRANO DE BERGERAC PODE Dictrano De HERCERAC: Rocum Lindsay looks nght as the resalty challenged hero but the production is too bushing to give enough room to the full pognancy of his tale. Theatine Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-330-3800). Mon-Ser, T. 30pm mats Wed and Set, 2.30pm (dosed Christimas ever and Christimas day).

HAY PEVER: Very lunny performances (not always where you expect) in Coward's excellent comedy. Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-857 1115) Mon-Sat. Spm, mats. Thurs.

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WEEKEND EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Karl Kraght

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MORRISSEY: The glum Mancunian has been courting controversy recently by toying with nationalist imagery in his live performances. Musically however,

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OPERA: Rodney Milnes finds English National Opera's approach to Janácek unsatisfying

Bad jokes, worse judgment

ational stereotypes are danger-ous territory, but perhaps we need not feel too shy about Czechoslovakia's Good Soldier Svejk and Mr Broucek when ours include Falstaff, Mr Pickwick and Jeffrey Bernard. Janacek's Broucek opera, The Adventures of Mr Broucek -pretty chaotic in concept and execution, yet every bar of it suffused with genius - is of all his works the trickiest for non-Czech audiences to absorb.

At first the composer pitted his drunken, philistine petit-bourgeois ren-tier against the art-for-art's-sake cultural community of fin-de-siècle Prague (Mr Broucek's Excursion to the Moon). and they were evenly matched. But the horrors of the first world war sent Janacek back to another episode from Svatopluk Cech's Broucek stories, his involvement in the Hussite Wars (Mr Broucek's Excursion to the 15th

Here the irony is more complex. Broucek, coward and potential quisling, is pitted against fanatical fundamentalist patriots, and Janácek introduced Cech himself, in order to place the action in context, in a long,

For his new English National Opera production at the Coliscum — the last of a Janácek cycle he has been working on for 17 years - David Pountney has added a further dimension and a more cheerful stereotype. Cech (Alberto Remedios) is made up as Váciav Havel and watches the whole of the Hussite act from the side of the stage.

Visual references to the 1989 Velvet Revolution, including heart-stopping film of the crowds in Wenceslas Square, are mixed in with the action. This works powerfully, the more so given the current political situation in Czechoslovakia.

That, I fear - though it is worth waiting for — is the end of the good news. Were I not reviewing it, I would probably have left the performance



Graham Clark, singing Mr Broucek: an "outstanding character tenor, hideously wasted" in a "hyperinventive" and jokey ENO production

during the first act, simply out of ' invention. That outstanding character embarrassment at having to watch people whose work I admire and respect falling flat on their faces. The main problem is hyper-

tenor Graham Clark is hideously wasted in the title role. He is famous as an exceptionally physical performer, but his interpretation is restricted to just that grotesque movement and expression, farcical high jinks, with little to suggest the equivocal central character he is playing - and with precious few words. How much better it would have been if only he had been allowed to stand still for ten seconds, think about what he was singing and

convey the meaning to the audience. Jokes were flung at the artistic satire of the Moon act like so much pebbledash: the Tate bricks joke, the David Freeman joke, the surtitles joke, the Pina Bausch joke. One character was dressed as David Hockney, but what he sings has nothing to do with the painter - the misfiring joke. There were self-regarding Coliseum jokes the flying bedstead, the green paint/blood, the stripping down to petticoats.

I here were in-jokes so arcane that they can have meant something only to half a dozen people, which is tough on a paying audience. The odd gaps between jokes were plugged with movies. If only the humour had emerged from the text -Pountney himself was responsible for the smart new translation - instead of being applied from the outside and smothering it.

The second act was marginally less frenetic, though Stefanos Lazaridis's decor remained hyperactive and the vital battle conference in Domsik's house was handled with astonishing dumsiness. It was as though Pountney felt that Broucek was a "difficult" piece that needed "help", but there in the pit was Sir Charles Mackerras to prove him wrong: the music, conducted and played as beautifully as this, and with some fine singing from Vivien Tierney and Bonaventura Bottone, needs no help at all, just "quiet, calm deliberation".

The production is dedicated to Havel and paid for by the audience. In that context. I just wish it had been better.

Captivated by dance and music from another age

THERE are probably more than two ways of mounting an opera by Lully. that most publicity-conscious of 17thcentury French composers. But the choice is fundamentally between two extremes. Either you tempt the audience back to those extravagant, formal times by reproducing the scenery, the costumes and what we know (which is a lot) about the movement. Or you do as did Moshe Leiser and Patrice Caurier, the producers of this co-production by Flanders Opera and the Théatre des Champs-Elysées, of Lully's last opera, Armide (1686), which then moved on from Antwerp to its Parisian parent: you wilfully translate the work

to our own century. Strangely, the parallel option does not apply to the playing of the music. Nowadays only baroque-style instruments will do, precisely because they are the instruments of today, as well as those of 300 years ago.

unusually effective music - the chorus of cohorts emerged to tempt vice of encapsulating the whole tragedy Herreweghe.

Stephen Pettitt on a Lully co-production by Flanders Opera and the Théâtre des Champs-Elysées, Paris

Passacaille in its final act and the extended sleeping music in the third

scene of Act 11 are wonderful set pieces but also from Philippe Quinault's rich libretto, though needless to say the characterisation lacks Monteverdi's subulenes. For Lully, oners meant grand specta-

de, but here the spectacle was of a minimalist kind. Not that it lacked impact, as was shown in effects like the falling forward of a huge abstract canvas in Act II, calculated to miss the prone hero Renaud (the strong and ardent Howard Crook) by a whisker. On another occasion the gates of Hell spectacularly opened up like giant jaws from a single side-stage wall as the figure of Hate (John Hancock) and his

and taunt Armide, Armide . the besotted villain-Antwerp Only with the sycophantic prologue, with Wisdom (Noemi Rime) and Glory (Veronique Gens) discoursing on a completely bare

stage, did the staging seem inade-

quate. The scene may be rather pointless, when monarchs are no longer worshipped, but something ought to have been made of it.

Clearly, much of a slim budget had been devoted to Elizabeth Neumuller's vast array of costumes. Dancers and chorus continually surprised us with their apparel; sometimes in pastel, candy-coloured suits, sometimes in tight, sexy white, sometimes in evening dress. The Act IV interlude, where

within one scene and giving it a comic slant, was incongruous fun as the troupe, devils in a parody of Edwardian guise, followed a gently lobbed shuttlecock across the stage with racquets, yo-yos and other instruments of leisure, prior to two knights (Jérôme Varnier and Gilles Ragon) being lured by two demons posing as beauties (Rime and Gens again).

Dancing is as vital an ingredient of Lully opera as singing. Decidedly modern, freely expressive in Idiom, and inventively choreographed by Stephanie Aubin, it was beautifully executed by the demons of the Compagnie Larsen. It was a pity that Sylvie Brunet gave a dramatically and yocally uncontrolled account of the anti-heroine, Armide. There could be no such complaints, however, about the playing and singing of the orches-tra of La Chapelle Royal and the choir of the Collegium Vocale Ghent, under

JAZZ: Clive Davis enjoys a taste of some appropriately festive jam-rhaking

Tis the season to be jolly.

YOU know Christmas must be coming when you glimpse the ample figure of George Melly ambling through the shadows in Soho on his way to his annual rendezvous at Ronnie Scott's. A short distance away, on Dean Street, a slightly more low-key series of seasonal gatherings is being organised by the American expatriate reeds player and

arranger Bob Wilber. Something of the spirit of an oldstyle jam session lies behind the fivenight residency. Wilber being joined by a different guest each evening. First up, on Wednesday, was the tenor saxophonist Tommy Whittle, to be followed by the guitarist Dave Cliff. Humphrey Lynelton (tonight) and fellow trumpeter Kenny Baker (tomorrow). The residency Bob Wilber's ends on Sunday **Christmas Parties** with a tribute to Billy

Strayhorn, with Wil-Pizza Express ber and his group accompanying his partner, the singer Joanne Horton.

The opening session with Whittle combined genial workhorses such as "In A Mellotone" and "Things Ain't

What They Used to Be", with a deft

rendering of "The Christmas Song"

song "Moments Like This", the title

track from Wilber's latest album. One

and the Burton Lane-Frank Loesser

time - was an uptempo Zoot Sims number based on "Exactly Like You". After some hurried sotto voce instructions the Mike Pyne Trio emerged intact, Wilber impishly dropping in a quote from the original melody as he swapped four-bar phrases with Whittle.

Wilber's versatility is always an advantage in these loose and informal

known selections -

which Wilber was

apparently encount-

ering for the first

settings, as he alternates between clarinet, soprano and alto saxophone. The clarinet finds him at his most ostentatious and dynamic, a striking contrast to his more clipped, acerbic soprano, while on alto the lush timbre. never over-ripe, evokes the effortiess lyricism of Johnny Hodges.

The venue had earlier welcomed

another multi-instrumentalist, Oscar Klein, a former member of the Durch Swing College Band, who kept up a juggling act with the trumpet, guitar, harmonica and clarinet. His technique was serviceable at best, but he had the advantage of an engaging personality and the assistance of the larger than life Bessie Smith routines and doubles entendres of the singer Dana Gillespie.

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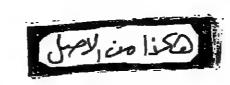
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Christmas cracker is a kernel bogey

John Percival is

puzzled by the

universal success

of The Nutcracker. now 100 years old

ne Saturday, while shopping in Brewer Street, Soho, I heard the solemn and majestic tune that starts the big pas de deux in The Nutcracker coming from the open doorway of a stripclub. Alas, either the opportunity or the courage to investigate was lacking, so I shall never know what use this familiar music served in that unlikely setting. But it cannot have been much more bizarre than some of the other Nutcrackers I have

Today the ballet is exactly 100 years old, and anyone who cannot years old, and anyone who cannot resist celebrating has the choice of three widely different productions: Birmingham Royal Ballet's spectacular version; another relying more on ingenuity than opulence by Moscow City Ballet in Paignton; and a disrespectful modern adaptation by the group Adventures In tion by the group Adventures in Motion Pictures as guests of Opera North in Leeds. For myself, I shall stay home and give thanks that I was not put off ballet for life by seeing the last act of The Nutcracker the first time I ever ventured, as a schoolboy, to a dance performance. I thought it boring, but luckily the rest of the triple bill proved more

The theory is that The Nutcracker is a great Christmas treat for the family and an ideal work for introducing children to ballet. False, I believe, and not just from my own experience. If only a small proportion of the thousands of children taken to The Nutcracker enjoyed it enough to become regular ballet-goers in consequence, they would fill all other programmes for the rest of the year which manifestly does not happen. But this false theory does solve boxoffice problems for a potentially tricky period because it brings in many people who do not otherwise

That is why there are innumerable performances year after year, all over the world. It seems the ballet is not so often given in the former Soviet Union, presumably because the box office there was less influential Elsewhere, The Nutcracker is the most frequently given

In the United States alone this winter, between two and three million spectators will attend at least 232 different productions. In Britain, London Contemporary Dance Theatre is the only major British company never (yet) to have danced it, and English National



Setting a Christmas trend: Arabian Dance from London Festival Ballet's influential 1950 production of The Nutcracker, staged by Anton Dolin and Alicia Markova

of occupational hazard for dancers

and critics: one popular star confid-

ed to me that he had nightmares of

still performing it when so old that

he needed a wheelchair; the critic

Ballet (formerly London Festival Ballet) has given a *Nutcracker* season in London and on tour every single Christmas since 1950, run-

ning through six distinct versions.

The odd thing is that, until Anton Dolin helped stage the first of those ENB productions, and George Balanchine did the same for New York City Ballet shortly afterwards. The Nutcracker had never caught on as a popular entertainment. When Ninette de Valois presented it at Sadler's Wells in 1934, the ballet was already more than 40 years old, yet that was the first time anyone had shown the full version outside Russia, although Pavlova, Diaghilev and others toured highlights from it.

Most of the people who saw it at Sadler's Wells were agreed that, except for those highlights, there was not much to be said for the ballet. However, it did enjoy a moderate success until war-time touring killed it off.

Into the credit balance for any traditional Nutcracker go a splendid duet and solos for two principal dancers, two pretty ensembles (for the snowllakes and the flowers), and the opportunity for marvellous transformation scenes, especially the growing Christmas tree. On the other side of the scale go probably the silliest story ever invented for the theatre, without either literal or symbolic interest, characters with no consistency, an immense superfluity of mime, and a series of dances so irrelevant and trivial that to make them interesting is

ingenuity.
The one thing that sways the balance is the music. If only Tchaikovsky had not killed himself within a year of the premiere, we would not have to put up with this nonsense. He could well have collaborated on as drastic a revision of the

almost beyond human

ballet's plot and structure as Swan Lake underwent in its transformation from the Moscow to the Si Petersburg version, and thus left us a work more worthy of his genius. Besides, he would have gone on to write other ballets (maybe even The Firebird for Diaghilev), thus offering a wider choice. As it is, The Nutcracker is a kind-

Richard Buckle famously began a review "We are one Nutcrucker nearer death." Producers have to find ways of making it more 'A sentimental story with the second half

room for more dances' What can you do with the story? ick Ashton, who omitted the party It is one of Hoffman's less interesting tales, in an even more sentimental adaptation by the elder Dumas, with the second half

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chopped off to make room for more At a Christmas party, a little girl is given a nuturacker in the form of

a doll dressed as a soldier (what a

Played two, won one, lost one.

daft present for such a child); she is upset when her brother breaks the toy. Then she imagines or dreams that with her help the toy soldier wins a battle between mice and his army of toy soldiers, and then turns into a prince. Together, the prince and the girl travel through a snowy landscape to a kingdom built of

> up by Vsevolozhsky, director of the Russian Imperial Theatres, and imposed by him on the composer and Marius Petipa, who prepared the libretto and would have done the choreography but fell sick, so his assistant Lev Ivanov had to oblige. One of the most sensible solutions was that of Freder-

This subject was dreamed

and the battle, offering just two scenes of dances a cut above the usual standard. Many producers have tried to present it as an allegory of the transition from childhood to adult feelings; Nureyev's version was the most consistent and satisfying of these.

Others have gone further in the

This week should be next week, too

search for originality. I have seen Drosselmeyer, who brings the nutcracker present do a tap dance; sometimes the gift becomes a pair of ballet shoes instead. A newly issued video introduces Scroone and Bob Cratchit as leading characters. Nijinsky danced a solo in Swan Lake to the Sugar Plum Fairy's music.

This year you can see the ballet set in a Victorian workhouse (by Adventures in Motion Pictures, on tour) or a 1960s New York apartment, complete with a black maid played by a man on pointe (by the Mark Morris Dance Group on BBC Television). Scottish Ballet's Nutcracker, one of the best, contains two polar bears (someone, somewhere, must surely have introduced reindeen, and with any luck. the Nurcracker Suite in the Bolshoi Baller's Albert Hall season in January will include the little shepherdess who drags a wooden sheep behind her, like Mary with her little lamb.

Or you can listen to a recording of the music and eat mince pies. That could be best of all. Happy

Looks before leaps?

Swan Lake/ The Dream Covent Garden

ow important are a danc-er's looks? The Bolshoi ballerina Galina Ulanova danced Juliet until nearly 50. transcending her middle age into an enchanting, vital young girl on stage. But there must surely be limits to the powers of expressive-ness. And if a dancer fails to convince as a commanding royal figure, do you blame his acting or his lack of inches?

Those thoughts were prompted by two of the Royal Ballet's brightest young men, Bruce Sansom and Sergiu Poberganic In Swan Lake Sansom presented a boyish Siegfried whose aura of golden youth added to the poignancy of his ultimate doom. His partnering had sophistication, his acting intelligent definition; his dancing could not be faulted, with an airy jump, firmly lifted upper carriage and, in the Black Swan coda, a spectacular grande pirouette à la seconde.

Yet those qualities did not work so well in Sansom's portrayal of Oberon in Ashton's The Dream. And I find it hard to decide whether his slight body and fresh face made him seem too light-weight for an imperious fairy king, or whether he could have invested his movements with more weight.

Pobercznic, making his debut as Oberon, is also physically slender and needs more gravitus to provide a stronger locus. He certainly gave his mime clarity and lofty authority but perhaps he could have further aided this effect by remembering to infuse dramatic colour into the passages of choreography as well, rather than treating dancing and acting as entirely separate.

By contrast, Nicola Roberts's gentle and satisfying Titania (another debut) expressed herself through steps as well as gesture. With Lesley Collier, who danced Sansom's Titania and Odette-Odile, Roberts shares musicality and impeccable judgment. Both have a quintessential English style; sturdy, they are destined to suggest utter reliability rather than dazzling virtuosity, quiet tastefulness rather than sweeping elegance.
As Puck, Anthony Bourne also

gave his dancing maximum expressiveness, vividy delineating the ornamental inflections of the chore ography. Through this and through his facial expression he created a wonderfully feral sprite, totally amoral and gleeful, revelling in his sharp-pointed, flying leaps.

NADINE MEISNER

TELEVISION REVIEW: Peter Barnard salutes a current affairs flagship, scuttled after 36 years

THEATRE: Benedict Nightingale on Peter Shaffer's latest play

Debate left in balance

The Gift of the Gorgon The Pit

eter Shaffer has spent much of his career playing varia-tions on the same theme. On the one hand, there are people of. imagination - sometimes weird, disturbing, even destructive imagination - and on the other, there are those seeking to suppress them. The well-meaning psychiatrist Dysart versus Alan Strang, the boyprotagonist of Equus. who ends up blinding the horses for whom he has a perversely ecstatic love. Mediocre Salieri versus the unruly genius Mozart in Amadeus. Even Lettice and Lovage, militant conservationists, versus the architectural

Shaffer's Gift of the Gorgon is in the same line, but even more obviously and explicitly so. Onto a stony Greek island comes a bright and bushy-tailed Jeremy Northam, an academic eager to write the posthumous biography of the playwright father he never knew. At first Judi Dench. his stepmother, refuses; but then, impressed by the



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boy's fervour, gradgingly agrees. He will, she says, find out things he will not wish to know. That promise gives Peter Hall's Royal Shakespeare Company production the tension that, at times, it needs. The rest of the evening has

Northam scribbling away in pencil (a remarkably inefficient tool but meant to differentiate him from his dad, who writes in blood-red ink) while Dench presides over exemplary flashbacks. Michael Pennington is not the most obvious casting for Edward Damson, a playwright of wild Welsh-Russian stock and manner. The part seems custom-made for O Toole or Oliver Reed or maybe both at once. But he does his best to be slavically celtic. flailing about the stage opining that he must become a secular priest, and describing how he will exalt a moribund public with his

terrifyingly passionate insights.
So far so good, or goodish. It is a bit overblown, but still what we have come to expect of Shaffer, who has always been a bit of a rapturous culture-vulture. But then characters from the plays that bring Damson public success step out of the ossified lava at the back of the stage. The Byzantine empress Irene blinds her iconoclast son, rightly in Damson's view. Cromwell is justly punished for his offences against beauty. Proving an artist a genius is always hard, and I cannot say that Shaffer's snippets achieve it.

Never mind. The play now settles into a debate between Pennington, representing the freedom of the playwright to show horrible things and propagate terrible ideas, and Dench, representing fairness, discretion and other such dull virtues. Before long, it is between his faith in the cleansing powers of revenge and her belief he is preaching fascist nonsense. It all reaches a climax when she tries and fails to censor a play graphically advocating death for IRA terrorists.

ne of Damson's fantasies is that he is Perseus, and the flop of this piece transforms his wife in his eyes from a nourishing Athena to a paralysing Medusa, explaining Shaffer's title if not upping the quality of his debate. One of his points is that the public will accept outrageous ideas if they occur in the 7th or 17th century, but not if they are transposed to modern London or Ulster.

Plenty of other ideas are touched on during the evening; and yet, as often with Shaffer's work, the feeling grows that they could be treated with more depth and distinction. But Hall's production maintains more momentum than might be expected and, whatever the caveats, there is always Judi Dench: impressed, ardent, troubled and, finally, as boiling mad as I've seen her. There at least the hen Margaret Thatcher appointed herself acting director-general of com-

mercial television the central idea the quid pro quo for a peak-time was that TV-am should re-emerge blinking into the new dawn while slot was the need to grab the audience and hold it. One week the pro-Thames Television's rising sun logo should at last set for good. ducers were backstage with the Rolling Stones, the better to take the viewers down the back alleys of TV-am disappeared, kissed the working classes the next. All the goodbye in a love letter from while reputations were being made: Dimbleby, Desmond Wil-cox, Robert Kee, Ludovic Kennedy, Thatcher to Bruce Gyngell, the station's managing director. The

Peter Taylor.
Carlton is said to be planning a station was meant to survive, whereas Thames was meant to successor that will tackle "issues", a disappear, but this is the trouble with auctions: the excitement of sniffy word which suggests we are accumulating money makes people in for "on the other hand" teleforget the script, TV-am never vision of the kind favoured by John investigated anything more sensa-tional than Roland Rar's waistcoat, Birt at the BBC. Well, This Week tackled issues, but from the stand-point of the people at the heart of whereas Thames occasionally probed deeper, not that that had them. That did not always make for anything to do with the govern-"balance" but it did make for some memorable and important television. I think that matters more than auctioneers collecting cash on behalf of the Treasury. But journal-ists: what do we know?

ment's preferred outcome. With Carlton about to take over the London weekday franchise from Thames, the latter is getting its retaliation in fast, if not first. Last night we were treated to a retrospective of its current affairs flagship, This Week, hideously entitled That Was This Week That Was (ITV). But mangled syntax cannot disguise the fact that the end of This Week seriously weakens television current affairs, especially with the BBC's Panorama in patchy form.

This Week ran for 36 years, apart from an eight-year name change (to TV Eye) when Thames attempted to take it down market. It was accused of being left-wing, and it often was. More often, it was radical, which is not the same thing. And indeed to be left-wing as in questioning of the Establishment is a different matter to being left-wing as in party politics, a distinction lost on most politicians

(whichever wing they play on).

In truth the programme was simply, and vitally, a thorn in the side of comfortable assumptions, sometimes memorably so: Chris Dunkley, the Financial Times television critic who introduced last night's swarsong, will get no argument from me in choosing Jonathan Dimbleby's 1973 report on the Ethiopian famine as the programme's high water mark. That woke us up to awful misfor-

Jonathan Dimbleby worked on This Week from 1972-78 and 1986-88: his 1973 Ethiopian famine report was a high point



MOTORING

By the seat of my pants

Kevin Eason

right, motoring correspondent of The Times, tells how he came

close to being a fatal road

accident statistic

t least my mum was proud of me. On the day when it really mattered, my underwear was clean. You never know when you might have an accident, she used to say, so you should always be prepared. Not that the state of my underwear was of crucial importance the day I became part of Britain's road

accident statistics. No one mentioned that it was essential training for the motoring correspondent of *The Times* to have a car crash, but it happened to me stances that confront hundreds of motorists every week. Their stories are probably just as poignant and matter just as much to them.

On that Friday morning three weeks ago, I was little more than an irritant to dozens of drivers caught in a traffic jam as police cars and ambulances blocked their way to work or school. The intense moments of pain and fear that gripped me were too remote to be understood by anyone who has not been

through a similar experience.

i know because I have spent almost four years pontificating about safety and car accidents. The statistics roll off the word processor so easily: 4,500 killed annually, more than 56,000 seriously injured, the cost of a fatal road accident £680,000, in providing emergency services, doctors, nurses and ancillary staff.

It took just a split second to find out the hard way about the pain and disruption so many families in

this country go through every year. This year, I have probably driven 40 cars, from Fiats to Ferraris. more than 50,000 miles. I even



world's fastest production car, on the race track at speeds up to 180 mph, all without mishap. Last month, I went to Australia to drive the new Mitsubishi Sigma estate 2.000 miles on dirt tracks and outback roads. Then, after flying back to Heathrow, I stepped off the plane and ten miles from my front door on the drive bome, I had a head-on crash.

Having the collision was the easy part. That took a few blurred seconds on the A423 between Southam and Banbury. Possible legal action means I cannot describe the details, but I was the front seat passenger who had seconds to utter an expletive before the impact. The next thing I remember was seeing the face of a policeman above his yellow emergency jacket, who was reassuring me: I was all right. Who was he kidding? Everything hurt.

I could hear my wife, Sharon, in the driver's seat of our Peugeot 405, but I could not see her because my eyes were clouded with blood. I remember the paramedics getting her out of the car, but I could not get out of my seat because my legs were trapped under the dashboard.

Time was suspended and the

police heard my life story at least twice with patience and good humour in the 80 minutes it took the fire brigade to cut my right leg free from the car. In the ambulance, I just wanted to know the damage. I knew most of me hurt, but was not sure which bits might cause lasting problems. I've watched Casualty on TV often enough, so I knew what to expect at the hospital: lots of furrowed brows



services 80 minutes to cut Kevin Eason from his car, on the left Crash course it took emergency:

and swishing cubicle curtains. The full damage report revealed a deep gash over the left eye, broken nose, fractured stermum and ribs and fractured right foot.

My wife, meanwhile, was in the next cubicle with a fractured sternum and collar bone. There was one more serious ca-

sualty. I knew from the moment I saw my squashed, bloated foot and ankle that my trousers would have to be cut

But those boxer

shorts were Calvin

Klein and nearly new. Having said that, even a pouting hunk would have had difficulty looking cool and provoca-tive in his Calvin Klein underwear with a blooded eye and a smashed nose the width of the northbound carriageway of the M1. The look was definitely more Quasimodo than Torn Cruise. I refused to let the nurse wield her scissors on them and put myself through the gyrations of a one-legged contortionist to get them off whole. It was a waste of time, they were so bloodstained they went to the him

I was not to know it then, but once the worst of the operation and shock was over, hospital was the best bit of this accident. Nice people

care of my every whim. When I got Having the home, a week later, collision wobbling about on crutches, I was to was the confront the grinding realities of being easy part involved in a car

> The first letter ! opened was not a sympathy card but a £40 bill from Warwickshire ambulance service for the use of two of its vehicles. Sharon had gone to hospital an hour before me, so we travelled in separate ambulances. If I had known there was a charge for each. I would have made her wait. And there have been forms, forms and more forms to fill in,

from insurance companies, from the police, and from hospitals. And

lots of appointments to keep with solicitors, doctors and physiothera-pists, appointments which I will be keeping for weeks and months. Then there is the frustration of

being disabled by injury, hopping about on crutches and trying to avoid the painful bits of my body.

And there are the sobering moments when I look at the pictures of the crash sent on to me

police and wonder how close The Times came to needing a new motoring correspondent.

When my wife and I chose our
Peugeot 405 it was for its comfort. performance and interior space. Now, when I look at the pictures of the car after the crash, with the

passenger side floor sill and roof crumpled and distorted and my seat moved forward, which helped trap me in the car, I wonder whether we chose the car on the correct criteria When I asked my wife what sort

car she wants to replace the sugeot, she said, "the safest one." Until I can afford to buy a new pair of designer boxer shorts, I will go

ROAD TEST

Toyota's new E number

his week, the first Carina E rolled off the production lines at Toyota's new Burnaston, Derbyshire, Vaughan Freeman writes.

Toyota has made no secret of the fact that its mid-size saloon, Carina E (for "Excellence in Europe"), is aimed at the lucrative company car market here and abroad. Typically, half the new cars sold in Britain each year, expected to be about 1.55 million in 1992, are bought by com-panies purchasing replacement fleet vehicles for their salesmen and directors.

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competing against vehi-des such as the Honda Accord, Rover's 600 series to be launched next year, and Nissan's Primera, as well as the Vanxhall Cavalier and Ford's Mondeo, the replacement for the Sierra. launched here next month. As

with many Japanese cars, it is easier to focus on the single aspects of the vehicle's perfor-mance, its handling or speed, and point to a rival product that does individual things better.

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version or hatch in the five-door able to accommodate their luggage. It is a bigger car than the Carina 2 range which preveded it. and has a longer wheelbase plus more boot space, which is in-creased by 20 litres to a maximum 470 litres in the hatchback. All Carina E models are

equipped with a sophisticated anti-theft security system that sounds the alarm and automatically immobilises the engine if a thief attacks the car.

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Case statements must be clear

In re Case Statements under section 9 of the Criminal Justice Act 1987 Before Lord Justice Watkins, Mr

Justice Potts and Mr Justice Judge Judgment December 41 An order made at a preparatory

hearing under section 9(4) and (5) of the Criminal Justice Act 1987 in a value-added tax case was unduly onerous on the defendant. Paragraphs of the order were deleted and it was remitted to the judge

The deleted paragraphs had expected each of 10 defendants to wade through a large case statement and to extract matters and evidence on which he had to determine whether to agree or to provide statutory reasons for not

greeing. The Court of Appeal so held on allowing an appeal against an order made in August. The court made an order that nothing be published which might tend to identify any of the defendants.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS, giving the judgment of the court, said that the appellants and a number of others were concerned in the case which charged them on 15 counts of cheating the public

Under section 9(4) the judge, who was destined to preside at the hearing of the trial and was from the first in control of the whole

It was the duty of both prosecution

and defence counsel to inform

themselves of the extent of the

court's powers in any case in which

they were instructed and to know

what options were open to the trial

judge and to correct him should he

The Court of Appeal (Lord

Justice Steyn, Mr Justice Pill and

Mr Justice Wright) so stated on December 3 in allowing an appeal by Tracey Bridget Hartrey against sentences totalling 21 months

imprisonment imposed at Bristol

Crown Court in March 1992 by

Judge DaCunha for theft and

MR JUSTICE WRIGHT said

that no fewer than eight times in

the last three years the Court of Appeal had pointed out counsel's

professional duty but that those

exhoriations were simply being

In this case counsel on both sides

were derelict in their duty to the

court in failing to draw to the attention of the judge that he was

breach of probation orders.

ignored by the profession.

Regina v Hartrey

The degree

matter, at the preliminary hearing could order the prosecution to supply to the court and each defendant a case statement and, under paragraph (c): "to give the court and the defendants or ... each of them notice of documents the truth of the contents of which ought in the prosecution's view to be admitted and of any other matters which in their view ought to be agreed..."

The judge then, under section 9(5) could order the defendants, under sub-paragraph (): "to give the court and the prosecution a statement in writing setting out in general terms the nature of his defence and indicating the prin-cipal matters on which he takes issue with the prosecution."

The point of the appeal was the manner in which the order was made by the judge. As it stood it was in identical form addressed to each of the many defendants

In order to comply with the detail of the judge's order, each defendant who appealed had to read carefully through the whole of a very substantial case statement and endeavour to identify documents and evidence on which the Crown held the view there should be agreement by that defendant.

The court on appeal under section 9(11) would not interfere with the order unless satisfied that

passing a sentence outwith his powers. Prosecuting counsel, in particular, was not there merely to

recite a brief resume of the facts, to

produce the antecedent history of the defendant and thereafter to

take no further interest in the

Such errors were not just of

academic importance; the risk of injustice was always present and a

had to be expended to put right

Court ignored

by counsel

burden on the defendants.

Any order made under section 9(5) should be clarity itself, in that it should spell out, in the form perhaps of a schedule, specific short questions identifying the documents or the evidence to which the Crown would require agreement by the defendant.

No such document was in existence in the case. The judge had not been assisted by argum in making the order actually made because the defendants had received an essential part of the case statement only on the day of the preliminary hearing and it was unclear when the judge had re-ceived it, although their Lordships were told that he had it a day or two before that hearing.

For the purpose of a preparatory hearing in a complex case such as the present, the case statement should be in the hands both of the court and of the defendants at least seven days before the preparatory hearing took place.

Then, both the court and the defendant concerned would have a proper opportunity of examining the case statement and, armed with that understanding of it, be with that time staining to it, toprepared at the preparatory hearing to argue points raised by the
Crown regarding the provisions of
section 9(4) and (5).

Unless that requirement was
met, their Lordships failed to see

how a judge could properly be assisted when he was moved to make an order under either one or both of those provisions and arrive at a sensible and proper

The matter was to go back to the judge to consider what orders to make. He should ensure that each defendant was the subject personally of the judge's order directed to, as the case might be, matters such as documents and evidence. That order should contain in itemised form the precise description of the document or of the matter of pated agreement upon.

It was quite wrong for a defen-dant to be expected to wade through a large document such as a case statement and to endeavour himself to extract matters of evidence and documents on which he had to make up his mind as to whether he would agree them or otherwise provide some standary reasons for not agreeing.

Unless the matter was conducted in that way and orders made in that form, their Lordships would not regard the judge as having discharged properly his what sometimes could be operous

The appeal was allowed and the matter would be remitted to the judge, who would then be given the opportunity to settle the whole

Court to transfer complex cases

Essex County Council v L (Minors)

The protracted hearing of proceedings under the Children Act 1989 over several weeks on non-consecutive days was inimical to the best interess of children.

Justices when told that the estimated length of hearing was more than two days or at the most three days should transfer the case to the nearest county court. A

Judge's discretion

Regina v Fuller

considerable sum o

Regina v Craigie

A trial judge was not obliged to leave a case to the jury in a particular way just because he was asked to do so by the defendant. The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Lloyd, Mr Justice Latham and Mr Justice Smith) so stated on December 4 in dismissing appeals by Mark Andrew Fuller and Kevin

Criminal Court (Judge Capatick, QC and a jury) for murder, conspiracy to rob and their.

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that a judge would be entitled to decline to leave a case to the jury in a particular way if the evidence did not justify it being left in that way, or if it would confuse the jury or complicate their task or if it would not be in the interests of justice. In all such cases the trial judge had a Stefan Craigle against their convictions in March 1991 at the Central

Mrs Justice Bracewell so stated in the Pamily Division on Decemm me ranny Dvision of December 10 on being informed by the local authority that appeals from justices who had refused to make care orders relating to two children were being withdrawn because of hanged circumstances.

HER LADYSHIP said the local authority had commenced care proceedings under the 1989 Act relating to a girl aged six and her

The local authority had sought the transfer of the proceedings but the justices had refused to transfer. The hearing had commenced on April 28 and by that time it was apparent that there was conflicting medical evidence. The case had been heard over several weeks on

non-consecutive days. The final hearing had been on June 3 with reasons being given on The local authority should have

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sought a review by the district indge of the refusal to transfer. He would have been able to ensure an early hearing before a judge, either in the county court or in the High

Agricultural occupation for rating

Hambleton District Council v Buxted Poultry Ltd

Before Lord Templeman, Lord Oliver of Aylmerton, Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Mustill and Lord Siyon of Hadley [Speeches December 10]

For a building to qualify as an agricultural building for rating purposes by being "occupied together with" an agricultural building or agricultural land it had to be commised together with the land. occupied together with that build-ing or land so as to form in a real sense a single agricultural unit.

The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by Buxted Poultry Lai from the Court of Appeal (Lord from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Glidewell and Sir John Megaw) (The Times August 8, 1991; [1992] 1 WLR 330). The Court of Appeal had allowed appeals by the rating authority. Hambleton District Council, from the Lands Tribumal, which had upheld the decision of the North Yorkshire Valuation Court deleting entries from the valuation list. valuation list.

By section 26 of the General Rate Act 1967 no agricultural land or agricultural buildings were li-able to be rated or included in a ratuation list.

Subsection (4) provides: "In this sonsection (4) provides: In this section the expression agricultural buildings'— (a) means buildings (other than dwellings) occupied together with agricultural land ... and ... used solely in connection with agricultural operations

shereon..."

Section I of the Rating Act 1971 provides: "(1) ... each of the following is an agricultural building... (a) any building used for the keeping or breeding of live-stock; and (b) any building ... occupied together with one or more buildings falling within paragraph (a) ... and ... used in paragraph (a) ... and ... used in connection with the operations carried on in that building or

Mr T. P. E. Curry, QC and Mr Malcolm Davis-White for Buxted: Mr Christopher Cochrane, QC and Mr Simon Bird for the

LORD SLYNN said that the Lands Tribunal had found that Butted's objects included the breeding, rearing, slaughtering, processing, processing, and the state of t processing, packing, selling and distributing of turkeys and chick-ens for human consumption.

For that purpose it owned and occupied 67 poultry breeding and rearing farms simated between a quarter of a mile and 120 miles from Dalton, Thirsk, North Yorkshire, where it owned and occu-pied a provender mill and premises and a separate processng factory and premises.

There was no appeal from the Court of Appeal's decision that the mill was not exempt from rates.

The factory received the substan-tial, although not the entire production of poultry from 48 of the farms, which were scattered over a large area. The poultry was processed there and either frozen

or sold fresh to depots. The Court of Appeal, like the Lands Tribunal, had accepted that the factory was used solely in connection with the operations carried on at the 48 broiler rearing houses on the farms, and it had regarded the Lands Tribunal's decision that the ancillary buildings, sales office, shop and mainte nance workshop, were so linked to the factory that they could be regarded as solely used for the same purpose as one of fact and degree that could not be set aside. There was no appeal from its decision regarding the ancillary

The sole question, therefore, was whether the factory could be said to whener the tachy to the test together with buildings used for the keeping or breeding of livestock within section 2(1)(b) of the 1971 Act.

"Occupied together with" had been considered in a number of been considered in a minute us cases under the 1967 or 1971 Acts. In Hilleshog Sugar Beet Breeding Co Ltd v Wilkes (Valuation Officer) (1971) RA 275, 284) Sir Michael Rowe, QC, President of the Lands Tribunal, had quoted the magazining Purks on Paring the proposition in Ryde on Rating (12th edition (1968) p289), that "'occupied together with' seems to imply a functional rather than a geographical connection".

in W. & J. B. Eastwood Ltd v Herrod (Valuation Officer) (1971) AC 160, 180) Viscount Dilhorne had said: "In its context 'occupied may connote more than common

reading the definition of 'agri-cultural buildings' is that it was an attempt by the draftsman to define a farm in statutory language and that it was intended to include buildings used and occupied to-gether with the land for the purpose of farming the land, not buildings far distant and not used in connection with an operation on

the land, even though owned by the same person." His Lordship agreed with Lord Justice Glidewell that for one building to be "occupied together with" another they had to be in the same occupation and the activities carried on in both had to be jointly controlled or managed. His Lord-ship also considered that the buildings had to be so occupied and the activities so controlled or managed at the same time.

To satisfy those conditions was not, however, sufficient to establish that one building was "occupied together with" another. Nor was there any geographical test that gave a conclusive answer, although the distance because the buildings. the distance between the building was a relevant consideration, as the Court of Appeal had held.

It was not sufficient to ask generally whether the buildings or buildings and land were all part of the same business enterprise. What was necessary to show was that the two buildings, or the buildings and agricultural land, were occupied together so as to form in a real sense a single agricultural unit.

Configuity or propinquity might go far to show that they were. Thus farm buildings sur-rounded by land farmed with other land nearby although not contiguous or even land in a neighbouring village might well, as a matter of fact, be found to be

"occupied together with" each other. On the other hand, separation might indicate that they were not, and the greater the distance the less likely they were to be one agricultural unit.

In view of the extension of de-rating in the 1971 Act it was not right now to ask whether the two premises constituted one "farm" in the ordinary sense, but Viscount Dilhorne had indicated the right

In the present case there were 48 farms with their broiler houses. and each broiler house had to be surrounded by at least two hectares of land to qualify: see section 2(4) of the 1971 Act.

They were kept separate and distinct in part in order to prevent or reduce the spread of disease.

Yet it was an inescapable finding that they were separate and dis-tinct farms and were to be treated as such for rating purposes since it had not been suggested that any two or more of the broiler houses were in reality run as a single unit. It was quite impossible on the findings of the Lands Tribunal to say that each farm or broiler house was occupied together with all of the other broiler houses as one unit

or that the factory was occupied as one unit together with all of the farms, some of which were 100 miles away. There was no point in referring the matter back to the Lands Tribunal and the factory and premises should be reinstated in the valuation list.

Lord Templeman, Lord Oliver, Lord Goff and Lord Mustill

Solicitors: Stephens & Scown, Exeter; Sharpe Pritchard for Mr Colin Spencer, Northallerton.

Power to stay part of indictment

Before Lord Justice Steyn, Mr Justice Pill and Mr Justice Wright [Judgment November 27]

A court of criminal jurisdiction had an inherent jurisdiction to stay an indictment in part where there were a number of defendants or a number of counts.

number of counts.

The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so stated in refusing an application by Andrew Keith Munro for leave to appeal against his conviction, on a plea of guilty in September 1990, at Teesside Crown Court (Judge Bryant) of

robbery and theft.

Mr Simon Mallen, assigned by
the Registrar of Criminal Appeals,
for the appellant, Mr Jeremy
Richardson and Mr David Brook for the Crown. LORD JUSTICE STEYN, giv-

ing the judgment of the court, said that a court of criminal jurisdiction undoubtedly had an inherent power to stay criminal proceedings under an indictment see Connelly v DPP [1964] AC 1254, 1346 et

That power existed to enable a court to regulate the efficient and fair disposal of criminal cases. The ambit of the power was generally only limited by the purpose for which it existed, namely the furtherance of the efficient and fair disperse of criminal cases. disposal of all classes of criminal

There was apparently no re-ported authority for the proposition that a court could stay criminal proceedings in respect of part of an indictment. Given the reason for the existence of an inherent power to stay, it was difficult to envisage any reason in logic, common sense or fairness why that power should not extend to a stay of part of an indictment.

There was power to order separate trials for separate defendants and to order separate trials for separate counts. When such powers were exercised in cases involving more than one defendant it might be convenient and sensible to grant an order staying the proceedings against a particular defendant, which were temporar-ily adjourned, or in respect of particular counts which were temporarily adjourned.

It was an illusion to regard an indictment as an indivisible entity The law focused not on the physical document but on information contained in it. Solicitors: CPS, Cleveland.

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RUGBY UNION

Forward planning is Cooke's recipe for continued progress

GEOFF Cooke yesterday forecast another decade of success for the England rugby union team manager who will also manage the British Isles on their tour of New Zealand next summer, said he had been enormously encouraged by the emergence of quality players from the divisional

championship. "I am extremely encouraged by what is around," he said.
"This is by no means just experienced players; we have a crop of youngsters coming through which give us a great deal of optimism for the next ten years of English rugby. We will have to shoot ourselves in the foot not to continue That does not mean we

won't lose the odd game, but I don't see England losing many games in the next few years. We are in a strong position and it is up to us to

prospects." he said.

son, of Leicester, as an Eng-land player of the very near

on referees' panel

By David Hands, rugby correspondent

FRED Howard, England's most experienced referee, has been dropped from the Rugby Football Union (RFU) international panel, which was named yesterday. The omission of Howard, 44, in favour of another Liverpudlian, David Matthews, is the only change from last season.

Thus two of Britain's most capable referees, Howard and Clive Norling, of Wales, will not be seen at the highest level this season, although do with injury and illness than form. The RFU decision concludes a nine-year run for Howard, during which he handled 20 internationals.

The appointments are made on the basis of performance over the last 12 months. and particularly over the first half of this season." Robert stay there." Cooke revealed some of the strengths and weaknesses he

and his fellow selectors had identified during the divisional championship. They believe there is enormous potential among several young forwards, especially at prop. "Clark, Mallett and Crompton have emerged in the South West side, and Garforth is another to have made an impression. They are excellent

selectors regard Martin John-

Howard loses place

Horner, the chairman of the

Tony Spreadbury, of Somerset, becomes the most experienced member of the team, alongside Ed Morrison, of Bristol, and Matthews, who will handle the A international on December 28 between Ireland and Scotland. Morrison has been awarded England's only five nations' championship appointment,

☐ Richard Loe, the All Black prop. has had his nine-month reduced to six months by the New Zealand RFU.



Testing the waters: Hatfield and his crew try out their Whitbread race yacht on the Solent yesterday

Crew make most of abilities

By BARRY PICKTHALL

CHRISTMAS came early for James Hatfield, a yachtsman with a hole in his heart; and his crew of disabled sailors yesterday when they took their 60ft yacht to compete in the Whitbread Round the World Race next year.

sign is the first British yacht built for the race and there was no disguising Hatfield's eargemess to commence the training of his team. She's fantastic. I took the helm for a short period on the way over from Cowes and she handled superbly. We've got a potential

Initial funding for the yacht came from a £1 million grant provided by the Foundation for Sports and Arts, but a further £1 million is required before the race starts from Southampton in September. Hatfield's initial squad of

crew members includes an amputee, someone who has polio, two who are partially sighted and one who is deal as well as an asthmatic and a dysiexic. Another had a lobotomy, as a result of a mugging.
"We're looking to see if we can get a vibrating pager to

get Don Street's attention. He's the deaf one among us," Hatfield said. "During this year's round Britain race, we but the new ones are so light, he would never feel them. Humour, coupled with a determination to prove the

sceptics wrong, are this crew's strong suits. "I read in magazines of people questioning whether Lawrie Smith will get a boat and provide Britain with a strong Whitbread entry. Well, by the time he does, we will have completed four Atlantic crossings. That's 20,000 miles of blue-water experience. We want to win and have a boat that can do so. We also have the time to train ourselves, so the result is down to what happens out on the

The skipper's first battle is to

risk than any other. They want to charge us a £10,000 overseas. Insurance forms are so negative towards the disabled." Hatfield said. "They ask if you have had heart trouble, cancer and other problems, but there is never a

box to tick if you are cured." Insurance is a problem Hatfield has still to work out, but there was no question yesterday of compromising his preparation trials. "It is no good us day sailing in the Solent. We have got to get the experience of crossing oceans - and we will," he said. It is this gritty determination that the team

YACHTING

impro enter

Donovan takes overall lead

FOLLOWING the dismastng of British Steel II on Wednesday, the overall lead in the British Steel Challenge race around the world is held by Adrian Donovan's crew on

Yesterday, Donovan's team Lybrand for fourth place within the fleet midway across the Pacific on the second stage of this race from Rio de Janeiro to Hobart, Tasmania. Paul Jeffes and his crew on Interspray, their closest rivals on elapsed time who finished econd to British Steel on the first leg from Southampton, are back in eighth place.

Kevin Dufficy, a crewman terday that 24 hours after their dismasting, the mood on board was of quiet resignation. You have to accept events and get moving again, We have cleared up the debris and are now designing a makeshift mast and rigging so that we can get back into the race as soon as possible," he

ment the mast broke. "For 36 hours, we had weathered very strong gales with winds of Sknots and huge rolling seas. The yacht was loving it. The finally weakend to 30knots and we put the mainsail up part way. Then the bottiescrew broke.

There was a noise like gunshot, a shout for all hands on deck, a roll call, relief that everyone was there uninjured and then the realisation that the sails were no longer there. The mast had broken, snapped off like a twig at deck level and disappeared into the Southern Ocean dragging with it our sails and rigging.

Launder promotes sport for all

mes to th world in the nineteenth century, British sport has itself made some mistakes, one of which, throughout the first half of the twentieth century, was to undervalue the importance of coaching. The old breed of Corinthian amateur, and even some of the great professionals from between-the-wars such as Stanley Matthews, like to think that excellence happens spontaneously: a Goddetermined gift.

That is true only in the tiny minority of instances. Matthews and Bradman achieved what they did partially through thousands of hours of practice. To be good, as opposed to great, the short cut is often intelligent coaching. This was vividly apparent in the recent talk by Alan Launder. "A Place for Everyone", at the conference of the British Institute of Sports

Coaching. Formerly a schoolmaster and coach at Challenor's in Buckinghamshire and now a residential coach at the University of South Australia. Launder has brought to his job a unique approach. Sport he reasons, has no meaning in itself. What is the value of dunking a basketball through a hoop? The value of sport is, or should be, what it teaches us about ourselves. Sport, as de Coubertin

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CLOIRE DE DUON

CONSTATIVE

Gloire de Dijon rose in the bed."

BLASTULA

FIZGIG

declared, is not only about winning: it is also, as Launder says, about the feel and

ball in your hand; the scent of morning dew on an autumn playing field; the sensation and satisfaction of a tee shot that only you experienced. Because this self-revela-

any stage, unexpectedly.



Nunn: success story

WORD-WATCHING

(b) An embryo, typically composed of cells arranged in a sphere enclosing the blastocoele, from the Greek blastor a sprout + a diminutive suffix: "When the sea-urchin's egg has divided into about 1,000 cells these form a little hollow balloon or vesicle known as the

(c) A police informer in Oz slang, also phizgig, from 1895: "We described him as a fizgig — an interesting word that means a grass, an informer." Cf an earlier sease, silly or flirtations young woman.

(a) A yellow hybrid tea ruse, "glory of Dijon", first exhibited in Paris in 1854; Meredith: "I want you to see my Marie blooming. She is a full and perfect ruse. You know the Gloire de Dijon?"; Lady Chatterley's Lover: "She still lay naked and faintly golden like a

(b) Referring to a use of the agrist tense, indicating that the action denoted has taken piace, rather than emphasising its initiation of completion, translation of the German konstationed, from the Latin

constatives, from the participle stem of constare: "The constative use of the Greek norist, which refers to past actions simply as having

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

Despite the reduced material white gives mate: 1 Nd7+ Ka8 2 Rc5! Rxd7 (otherwise 3 Ra5 is mate) 3 Rc8 mate.

ince introducing David Miller looks at a creative approach javelin bronze medal in Ancie-

to coaching that rewards persistence and

patience and produces exceptional results

the memory of a new cricket

able results.

tion ought not to be confined only to those who demonstrate an early natural abili-ty. Launder has always insisted that his coaching sessions are available to alk development can emerge at



"Children often have no idea what they are good at," he says, "and they sometimes don't like to try because they don't want to take the risk." He has therefore always created a coaching environment in which if a child bothered to turn up, he or she was included. It is a policy that has produced some remark-

scrum. Both half-back posit

security for the future while

Challinor, Grayson and Mat-

thews are players we would

hope will also come through.

able talent at centre and on the wings in players like de Glanville, Damian Hopley

and John Sleightholme, the young wing from the North."

Webb, was the biggest weak-ness in English rugby, Cooke

He would not prophesy a

third successive grand slam for England. He said that

France, who England play first in the five nations'

championship, on January

16, have chosen quality play-ers who English observers regard as outstanding per-

formers. "If they get them-

selves together, they will be a

stiff obstacle, even though the

match is at Twickenham,"

But full back, after Jonathan

We think there is consider-

After stimulating a generation of cross-country runners at Challenor's that, from a single school, was capable of challenging for the intercounty championship, Launder started applying his technique in Australia. Simon Arkell, the pole vault winner in the last Commonwealth Games in Auckland, was a conspicuous example of Launder's success.

As a youngster, Arkell had failed after several weeks to clear even a rudimentary two metres and Launder, even with his level of tolerance, privately wished the boy would go away. Arkell went off on a cross-country cance expedition ... and came back still wanting to be a pole vaulter. Coach and pupil duly persisted

Kate Farrow, who won the

land, began her competitiv career with the unpromising conversational label of No-Hope-Kate. She, too, persisted. Launder admits there are limitations to his non-elite policy in the midst of a preferance of elite programmes. "It can work well up to a fairly high level," he says, "but perhaps not to the

Among his other protegés are Sean Carlin, eighth in the hammer in Barcelona this year and a Commonwealth champion, and Glynis Num, the heptathlon winner at Los Angeles in 1984.

Society in the Western world may be on the verge of collapse," Launder reflects. Sport helps to create the society we want to live in and offers jobs and opportunities in a time of despair. How will history judge coaches in 500 years' time: as trainers of gladiators, or as guardians of society, not just producing champions but helping to improve people's lives?"
His aim has been to create

an environment at all times in which everyone supports each other. "If you try to attempt high standards at too young an age, you are likely to lose your way," he says. "Somewhere along the line, I like to feel that I've touched upon the lives of those who have wanted to be

NETBALL

England select shooters

women dominate the England squad for the World Games in the The Hague next July. England finished third behind New Zealand and Australia at the last Games in Karlsrühe, Germany, in 1989. (Louise Taylor writes).

From 67 hopefuls put through their paces against the Australian Institute of Sport, a squad of 15 has been selected by Liz Broomhead, the England coach. For the first time in years, there are no

The final 15 includes two who will be representing their country for the first time -Leigh MacManus, 25, from Kent, and Lorraine Law, 28, of Essex. Three former England under-21 players have finally earned promotion -

SHOOTERS and Essex Rachel Pockley, 25, Lisa Topliss, 22, and Justine Saunders, 26.

Broombead said: "I'm excited at the versatility of the squad. We've gone for variety in the shooting circle and have tall shooters, moving shooters and solid shooters."

Bill Alexander, 38, has qualified as the first male international umpire in England. A school teacher, he has been umpiring since 1982. Up until 1991, rules debarred men from becoming

international nethall umpires. PAGLAND SQUAD: 5 Fogeth (Bedired Shire), Y Foster (Essex Metropolitan), L Law (Essex Metropolitan), L Law (Essex Metropolitan), T Miller (East Dorsel), R Poddey (Huttbersde), L Topitsy (Detopolitan), Bidd (Essex Metropolitan), Essex Metropolitan), L Sdao (Middesex), P Sweeney (Essex Metropolitan), K Lome (Bedbordshire), L MacManus (Nert), J Saunders (Bissex Metropolitan), S Young (Metr), S Young (Metr)

Danger of tackle from behind MCC could trim the costs grievous bodily hazm to oppo-

From Mr Steve Corbett

Sir, More worrying than the use of the elbow in football is a disturbingly familiar sight of a forward player flattened by a tackle from behind. This type of challenge was all but eliminated in the early Eighties by a forceful application of the laws by referees acting under the instructions of the Football Association.

Its reappearance can be witnessed more often than the use of the elbow and, although the injuries inflicted are not usually as serious, the tackle is designed to intimidate rather than injure.

Referees and linesmen must be vigilant in spotting the difference between the legitimate challenge and the tackle which goes right through the player before playing the ball. The disquiet over the performance of some referees seems

to involve their apparent reluctance to book players. The only way to eliminate the illegal tackle from behind is to punish offenders severely, which means strict use of red and yellow cards for all

STEVE CORBETT. 62 Coverts Road,

Claygate, Surrey. From Mr Darren Bailey

Sir, The recent high-profile acquittals of footballer Gary Blissett and rugby player Gary Rees on charges of causing

True champion

From Mr R. Goldwater Sir, Surely the way forward for Lennox Lewis would be to defend his title against the former world champion,

bumper pay-day for him, second, it would make him a

wins), having already defeated Razor Ruddock Yours faithfully. R. GOLDWATER. 5 Ryder Crescent. Southport. Lancashire.

In opposite courts

From Mr W. H. C. Finbow Sir. The positioning of photo-graphs of Dan Maskell and John McEnroe in close proximity (later editions, December 11) conjured up in my mind those classical comparisons, "Dignity and Impu-dence" and "Hyperion to a

McEnroe's final words. "I

nents reflect the difficulties faced by the Crown Prosecution Service in seeking to satisfy the criminal burden of proof in the context of sporting

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Therefore, as the CPS pon-ders these difficulties: it is possible that such prosecutions may be less frequent in the future than recent trends might have suggested. This, however, will not eliminate unlawful action perpetrated on the sports field.

As an FA coach, I am concerned by the increase in litigation, both criminal and civil, arising from incidents in the course of sporting encoun-

However, as a lawyer, I have to acknowledge the supremacy of the general law, and I foresee a regrettable increase in civil actions where competitors who are the subject of alleged on-field assaults pursue civil claims.

In these, the less onerous burden of proof is based upon the balance of probabilities, and the injured party can benefit from an award of compensation not only in respect of the injury itself, but also for financial losses.

Yours faithfully, D. M. BAILEY, Sports Law Unit, Shoosmiths & Harrison (Solicitors). Regents Gate. Crown Street. Reading, Berkshire.

household name in America. and third, it would put him

ahead of Bowe as the true

world champion (assuming he

Evander Holyfield.

First, it would ensure a

am not going to fall off the face of the earth [sic]", might suggest that he numbers membership of the Flat Earth Society among his other

eccentricities. If he does not fall, will it be a case of being pushed? Yours faithfully, W. H. C. FINBOW, Dene Cottage. 6 Gaywood Road.

From Mr Ernest Green

Sir. Why does the MCC special meeting in January about the England tour selection. (report, December 2) to cost as much as £17,000?

Mailing and printing, yes, but what about second-class mail and, instead of expensive envelopes, a sheet of paper with a sticky seal after the paper has been folded? And why all this cost in

hiring an expensive hall when Hyde Park will do, or even Olympia, should there be concern that members might get wet? Many will say that they should not be involved with cricket if they are worried about getting wet. A few loudspeakers and a few strategically placed ballot boxes are all that are needed.

I remain, Sir, with regard for the objects of the MCC, cricket and its promotion at home and abroad, and not wastage of good money. Yours faithfully, ERNEST GREEN.

105 Hallam Street, W1. From Mr Bill Pullen Sir, Even more justified than David Gower in complaining

about his omission from England's cricket tour to India is Jack Russell. One bad Test match when he wasn't feeling well after the first day, and out he goes.

The season's first-class batting averages showed him on 42.82, three places above Alec Stewart and not far behind Richard Blakey, who is not remotely in his class as a wicketkeeper. Whilst not so successful in Tests, Russell averaged more than at least one specialist batsman who was retained for India.

Having seen Russell score rapidly last season in one-day games and run-chases, I feel it is pure fallacy to say he cannot bat in this type of cricket. Vice-captaincy of the England A tour of Australia is scant consolation. If I had been he, I'd have told the selectors to forget it" and got on with my painting in the belief I could

earn more that way. That Russell didn't says a lot for his loyalty, which has been abused by the selectors. Yours etc.

BILL PULLEN. Gretton Hill Farm, Winchcombe, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Trout records though I have to point out that

From the Director of The Salmon & Trout Association Sir, This association welcomes the constructive comments by your fishing correspondent. Brian Clarke, in his article on trout records (December 9). In particular, the idea that

records for Atlantic salmon stocked into stillwaters should be outlawed will be given serious consideration, al-

European reality

Sir. As a confirmed Eurosceptic, I found myself recently questioning the extent to which my own perception of Europe is based not on a rational view of Europe as it is now, but on impressions fashioned in my early education just after the second world

What sparked this bout of self-appraisal was a conversation I overheard between my eight-year-old son and a friend of his, in a heated exchange as to which club was presently at the head of the

landlocked salmon. Salmo salar sebago, which have recently been introduced to this Yours faithfully. C. W. POUPARD.

there are strains of genuine

Director. The Salmon & Trout Association, Fishmongers' Hall London Bridge, EC4.

From Mr Patrick Brain

Radley, Oxfordshire.

football league in England. The one was adamant that Blackburn Rovers were the current league leaders, while the other argued with some vehemence that the leaders were AC Milan. Yours sincerely, PATRICK J. BRAIN, Sugworth Farm,

Sugworth Lane,

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Improving Another Coral enters Gold Cup picture

By RICHARD EVANS RACING CORRESPONDENT

STREET

ANOTHER Coral, five times a winner at Cheltenham, is set to run in the course's most prestigious race - the Cheltenham Gold Cup.

David Nicholson's chaser, victorious at Prestbury Park last Saturday in the Triple-print Gold Cup, has never raced beyond two miles five furlongs but the season's top trainer is convinced the additional five furlongs will not pose a problem next March. Another Coral will run at

Cheltenham in the new year, probably over two and a half miles, before being tested over three miles plus in one of the Gold Cup trials, either the Jim Ford Chase at Wincanton or the Fairlawne Chase at Windsor.

"If he happens to get the trip, and we see no reason why he should not, he will run in the Gold Cup," Nicholson said at Towcester yesterday. "I used to think he didn't get

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HOLD COLLS

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12.30 Med Thyme.

1.00 Errant Knight.

1.30 Flying Speed. 2.00 TERAO (nap).

2.30 Royal Piper.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (SOFT PATCHES)

(£1,815: 2m 4f 110yd) (16 runners)

12.30 ST MODWEN NOVICES HURDLE

he got two and a half. But the way he travelled and ran last Saturday would suggest there is no reason he shouldn't get the Gold Cup trip."

Nicholson, who sent out Charter Party to win the big race in 1988, added: "He is by Green Shoon out of a Deep Run mare. He is a true professional and he might get it. He has had a bit of practice round Cheltenham," Nicholson added, tongue-in-cheek.

Another Coral, owned by Michael Deeley and a group of farmer friends, has always. been regarded as an autumn horse, but Nicholson believes he is a different animal this season.

Meanwhile, the master of Jackdaws Castle is hoping for a bold run from Gambling Royal in the SGB Chase at Ascot tomorrow.

However, the Martin Pipe camp is increasingly bullish about the prospects of Minnehoma and Nigel Twis-ton-Davies confirmed yesterday that Captain Dibble would also take his chance in

RICHARD EVANS: 2.00 Terao. 3.00 ITS NEARLY TIME (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.30 NIJMEGEN.

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FORM FOCUS

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[£1,763: 2m) (16 runners)

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1.30 & EVANS (SERVICES) LTD CLAIMING HURDLE

(£1,763; 2m) (16 runners)

12.30 Mad Thyme.

2.00 Terao.

2.30 Jokester

3.00 Boutzdaroff

1.00 Norman Conqueror.

possibly going on to run in the Welsh National.

Twiston-Davies, speaking after the promising Dakyns Boy had won the Mistletoe Novices' Chase at Towcester, announced that Tipping Tim would run in the King George VI Chase at Kempton on Boxing day, provided the ground is softer than good.

Kings Fountain will join stable companion Docklands Express in the line-up for Kempton's feature race after pleasing Kim Bailey in a schooling session at Lam-

Blazing Walker, the forgotten hero of jump racing, is on the comeback trail and only a couple of months away from running. The eight-year-old has not raced since Aintree 20 months ago when he beat Katabatic and Waterloo Boy impressively in the Glenlivet Melling Chase.

Peter Piller, who had more than 30 horses with the late Arthur Stephenson, said yesterday: "He is in very good

EMILY'S STAR best Shifton Lane & In a 9-number Rovice bendicap class at Notificiplesm (2m 5) 119(d. 50). BISHOPS SLARD in lead when left nioth is a 7-numer novice classe at Psychock wort by Mere Cases (2m 44, 50%, Useful movice hunder last season. PATHER TIME 35) 3rd of 8 to Cab Os

ROYAL PIPER 41 2nd of 13 to Big Bent in a novice handson hurche at Sandown (2m 110yd, besey). JOKESTER best Cardinel Bird 151 in in 8-romain powise handicap burde at Notlingham (2m, soft). THE TITAM SHOST 39% 2nd of 7 to Texas Scarbia in a novice broke burde at Heydock on persulfinate start (2m, soft). THY FOR GOLD best Fassio. 71 in a

(\$2,410; 2m) (8 runners)

2.30 LEVY BOARD NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE

3.00 HEATHYARDS ENGINEERING HANDICAP CHASE

Long harmicago: Ferrosc Lad 9-9.

BETTING: Evens Boutzdaroll, 2-1 for Nearly Time, 9-2 Sabatil News, 10-1 Ferrosc Lad.

2.00 addison of newport novices chase (62,601: $2m\ 76$) (10 numbers)

BETTING: 5-4 Tecso, 11-4 Bishops Island, 7-2 Emily's Sur, 15-2 Faller Time, 10-1 Raffel, 12-1 Cornedy Sty. 16-1 Feet Kelly, 20-1 cohes.

1991: MANDER'S WAY 6-10-12 J Onborns (5-2) Miss H Knight & ran FORM FOCUS

Long hundicas: Lincolly 9-3, Detarril 9-3.

BETTING: 7-4 Jelestin, 9-4 Royal Piper, 4-1 Show The Ping, 13-2 Fly For Sold, 8-1 Sandro, 10-1 The Timo Soud, 14-1 offers.

1991: NO COPRESPONDING RACE FORM FOCUS

1991: LAST 'O' THE BUNCK 7-12-0 H Doughly (7-4 lar) & Richards 7 cm FORM FOCUS

BOUTZDAROFF of 2nd of 3 to Spine Cross in a candidate chase at Welherby (2m, good in soil).

SABAKI RIVER 60 Bith of 10 to Deep Speciation in a grade 3 hundrage chase at Ascot (2m 3 110)xd.

good in soil), Seat Behave The Smith 10 in as B-numer novice chase at Newbury in February (2m 5 8 angor (3m, soil).

Selection: BOUTZDAROFF

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2 0229-09 CHEERIU, Takes 13 (CD.E.S.) (M Story J.J O'Neill 4-11-10 R Darwoody 82
3 0718-2 SAFRAM 27 (D.S.) Dies H Lwy) W Mair 5-10-9 M Richards 9-11-11 G Robertson (7) 96
4 25114/3- NADAD 433 (CD.F.S.) (J Bray) D McCain 5-10-9 C Lievethys 90
5 1920- KAYFRAT 179F (D.S.) (Drew Recing) M Pipe 4-10-7 P Scattermore 91
5 149/13 TITUS GOLD 46 (CD.S.) (A Dickisson) W Clay 7-10-5 Diane Clay 90
7 3129-52 NAMEGEN 9 (D.B.F.S.) (J Flagenid) Jimmy Pizgenid 4-10-1 M Dwyer 83
BETTING: 5-2 Beachy Hand, 3-1 Niymogen, Safash, 5-1 Kayfart, 7-1 Neukart, Titus Gold, 14-1 Cheeckel Times
1991: CHEERFUL TIMES 8-10-0 6 Robertson (33-1) B McMahman 11 mm

BEACHY HEAD tree! Petroku 61 in a 9-mener rovice insulie at Ayr (2m 41, good). SAFFAAH 21 and of 8 in Nilikan in a handrasp hurdle at Herbury (2m 110yd, soft).

All 3rd of 10 in Secret Liseon in a bendicap hurdle at Herbury (2m 110yd, soft).

HAMADAA 4 is and 110 to Feat Chaise fo a handrasp hurdle at Herbury hardle at Bangor (2m, good). KAYFAAT 31 2nd of 13 to Familiap hurdle at Heydock (2m, soft).

Selection: MLIMESEN

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utive at Haydock Park, has been appointed as acting course, who died from a heart

3.30 LADBROKE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,840: 2m) (7 runners)

12-runner teiling hardle at Nottingtons on populations steri (2m, good to soit). SANDRO 175 and of 10 to Cluricae in a novice hardle at Hereland (2m 11, heavy). SHOW THE FLAG 786 4th of 14 to Ethning in a revice hardlest hardle at Donossier (2m 110/rd, pood).

Selection: ROYAL PIPER

and cantering but they are very pleased with him and, if everything goes right, he should be back racing in February."

Piller, who confirmed that Aintree rather than the Cheltenham festival would be Blazing Walker's main target, will make no decision about who will train his horses until the end of January or early February. Peter Cheesbrough, a neph-

ew of Stephenson, holds a temporary licence. "I want to see how the horses are rimning and how the whole operation is going on," Piller said from Zurich yesterday.

Blazing Walker was one of the Piller horses part-owned

by Stephenson and they are all to stay in training, at least for

the time being.

The 50 registered in Stephenson's sole name were taken out of training on Monday. They are to be sold at a public auction, probably to be held at the Bishop Auckland yard, on a date yet to be fixed.

O'Neill's best is put down

DANNY Connors, the star of Jonjo O'Neill's Penrith stable. had to be put down after breaking a leg at Kelso

yesterday. The eight-year-old was tracking his two rivals in the Glassedin Securities Handicap Chase when his off-hind leg snapped shortly after jumping the ninth fence. Tony Dobbin, deputising for the injured Mark Dwver. escaped unhurt as his mount

crumpled in full view of the

stands. Darmy Connors won six of his 17 starts and landed a famous gamble for his owner, J P McManus, in the valuable Coral Golden Hurdle at last year's Cheltenham festival. A dejected O'Neill said:
"It's awful for everyone asso-

ciated with the horse and it hasn't really sunk in yet. It leaves a big gap because he was the best horse I've trained." Victory went to Night Guest, whose jockey, Michael

Moloney, went on to com-plete a double on Whaat Fettle in the Charlie Young Memorial Handicap Chase. Gordon Richards, Whaat Fettle's trainer, had earlier reached his half-century for the season when Sweet City took the M & G Securities Conditional Jockeys Handi-

cap Hurdle. The Sun Alliance Hurdle is the ambitious target for Ceilidh Boy, half-length con-queror of Celtic Song in the Tweeddale Press National Hunt Novices' Hurdle.

Treble-seeking Singlesole to put best foot forward again SINGLESOLE, trained by his

owner-breeder, Pam Sly, near Peterborough, can complete a treble in the Stephenson Smart Handicap Chase at Fakenham today.

This is one of two races with £5,000 in added prize-money being run on the Norfolk track this afternoon.

Described by his trainer as a bit of a character, who can let the side down when he is in a bad mood, Singlesole cannot be faulted on his two runs this

He began by outstaying the hot favourite, Proplus, to score by four lengths at Southwell in October. Next time out he responded to another fine ride from Tony Carroll, his jockey again today, when he accounted for Height Of Fun in a driving finish at Wolverhampton.

After that hard-earned victory, Singlesole was turned out in a field to recover from his exertions. He is reported fit and well again now by his able trainer, who is praying that he puts his best foot forward again.

If he does, he should retain his unbeaten record for the season at the principal expense of the less-experienced Jimstro, who has gained his two victories this season against fellow novices at Huntingdon.
The L L Firth Memorial

Handicap Chase, the other race on the card with £5,000 added, can result in Nicky Henderson training his first winner for the Queen Mother. Dalliston, their runner,

made a promising debut over

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

fences when second to Kind'a Smart on his reappearance at Windsor and this New Zealand-bred gelding seems sure to improve on that effort At Uttoxeter, the same royal

colours will be carried by Norman Conqueror in the Jenkinsons Conditional Jockeys Handicap Chase. Last time out, Norman Conqueror. who is trained by Tim Thom-son Jones, found Catch The Cross too good at Warwick. Instead of running Catch

the Cross again with a penalty, Martin Pipe has chosen to saddle Errant Knight, a move I find highly significant. Errant Knight was going like a winner when he fell at

the second last fence at Cheltenham at the beginning of



Sly: has given Singlesole

October. While he has not been able to race since. because he had to have stitches in a wound sustained that day. he is reported to be back on

course again now. Errant Knight is taken to form the first leg of a Pipe treble, to be completed by Flying Speed (1.30) and Terao (2.00).

Owned by Brian Kilpatrick. who has derived such fun over the years from watching his good chasers. Sabin Du Loir and Aquilifer, Terao is now napped to make a winning start over fences in the Addi son of Newport Novices'

Whatever Terao achieved over hurdles was always going to be a bonus. So the fact that he was capable of winning at Leicester last season, and on today's track as well, was

highly encouraging.
Interestingly, he beat Bishops Island, one of today's rivals, by three and a half lengths on the second occasion. While Terao enters the fray today having jumped well in practice at home. Bishops Island has fallen and nearly fallen in his two races over fences this season.

Saffaah, my choice for the Ladbroke Hurdle, caught my eye at Newbury first time out when he was a promising second to the in-form Nikitas.

Finally, Tres Amigos, who beat the subsequent Catterick winner, Bow Handy Man, also at Catterick, is taken to make a successful return to the north Yorkshire course by winning the Allied Reinforcements Handicap Chase.

MAHB

MANDARIN 12.40 Misty. 1.40 Singlesole. 2.10 Dalliston.

2.40 interpretation.

3.10 San Lorenzo.

THUNDERER 12.40 Solid Steel 1.10 Spanish Whisper, 1.40 Ebony Swell 2.10 MONDAY CLUB (nap). 2.40 Black Sapphire. 3.10 San Lorenzo.

going: good to soft (good in places)

12.40 EASTERN DABLY PRESS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,952: 2m 5f) (8 runners)

Long Introduces: John Jack 9-3. Caplain States 9-0. Little Styres 8-10. Hit The Box 9-0.
BETTING: 2-1 Notary-Named, 9-4 Solid Steal, 5-2 Masy. 8-1 Stricts Boy, 18-1 others.
1991: MEETING ABANDORED - FROST

1.10 FITZWELLAM SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,302: 2m 110yd) (17 runners)

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	3	4040-46	EARLY BREEZE 4 (D.P.) (6 Shadey) M McCoon 6-11-10	8
	4	232-422	ALOSALI 18 (D.SF,G) (L. Gibert) B States 5-11-1	8
	5	253404	SHAMPGUN 25 (D.G.S.) (Mass D Ressell) A Moore 6-11-1 6 Moore	8
	ē	1443-45	SPANISH WINSPER SF (CD.G.S) (B Martin) J Bostock 5-10-10 J Mrd aughlin	В
	7	122565	WINDSOR HIGHWESS 27 (D.S.) (Mrs P Compole) K Wingsow 5-10-9 9 CHEORI (3)	П
	8	3-1P562	ULLSWATER 25 (D.F.S) (Mrs F Rold) A Rold B-10-7	8
	9		WEEKDAY CROSS 31 (M Regerate) J Junities 4-10-2	
	10		MABTHUL 22 (Mr. A Sanders) K Besley 4-10-2	
	12	P\$-0320	SOLITARY REAPER 35 (D.F) (B Steats) C Seeves 7-10-1 M Breamen	9
	12	40-0006	WHISKEY BLUES OF (B.CO.G) (T Soller) B Pictoriand 7-10-0	9
			BUSTLING AROUND 20 (J Long) J Bosley 5-10-0	
			BOOKE BASHER 29 (R Smith) A Curts 9-10-0	
	15	P06P06/	KOUNSKY 657 (9 Paparots) C Beaver 5-10-0	•
	16	PP/P-P4P	THE GAMMOCHY 27 (D.B.F) (L Woodingham) L Woodingham 6-19-0	-
	17	PO-PPO	SHARP ISSUE 10 (M O'Toole) M Chapman 4-10-0 W Workington	-
ı	long	landcar:	Bookle Restur 9-11, Kollinsky 9-2, The Connoctay 8-11, Storre Issue 8-5.	

DETYME: 9-2 Alexaid, 5-1 Spanish Whisper, 6-1 Slippery Max, 8-1 Ses Bresker, Solitary Repper, 10-1 others COURSE SPECIALISTS

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2.10 L L FIRTH MEMORIAL HANDICAP CHASE

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		DALLISTON 32 (BF.S) (Queen Elizabeth) N Handeston 6-11-0		
		MET-PAW 16 (G Hubbard) F Murphy 9-10-9		
		\$250KKS 51 (D.B.S) (D Herophreys) A Moore 10-10-6		
		RUPPLES 22 (F) (C Hages) M Chapter 5-10-2		
		YOURG ALRE 242 (B) (4 Parent) J Parent 7-10-2		
8	/F6-P4F	NARE PORT 4 (A Disa) J Bosley 7-10-2	M Bosley	-
BELL	NG: 2-1 D	hattistion, 11-4 Mr-Paix, 9-2 Monday Club, 6-1 Driving Force, 10-1 Bec	efficie, 12-1 others.	

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	2.40 COTTESMORE NOVICES CHASE (£2,178: 2m 5f 110yd) (9 runners	5)
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J	2 6-51R2F KRIO 35 (B.G.S) (R Basset) 5 Sherwood 5-11-10	
ı	3 4254-63 APMANA 16 (A Blackmore) A Stackmore 7-11-2	
1	4 2/01P-0F BLACK SAPPHRE 24 (6.5) (P Betts (Hotstops) Ltd) M Tossetion 5-11-2 R Campbell	
ı	\$ 1PO-53 DUNDROMA 49 (BF,S) (E Wilson) H Champion 6-11-2	
ı	6 056/P-4P JUST INCREDIBLE 1B (B) (C Books) J Leigh 6-11-2	1
ł	7 2340-24 NOT SO SOON 48 (J Bance) K Balley 7-11-2 S MCNell	ł
1	8 0/P-050P \$5644E 16 (G Hunbard) F Murphy 7-11-2	
١	9 5/0006-5 SPECEY 32 (S Powell) J Jeskins 6-11-2	
ı	BETTING: 9-4 Interpretation, 4-1 Stack Supplies, 5-1 Not So Soso, Kino, 6-1 Dunatoria, 12-1 others.	

3.10 FAKEMHAM RACECOURSE CARAVAN SITE HANDICAP HURDLE

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		GOLDEN GUPRER 41 (D.F.B.S) (M. Sievers) M. McCourt 4-11-0	
		PRESENT TIMES 242 (D.F.G.S) (Mrs S Green) A Moon; 6-11-0	
		RARFY'S OREAM ST (D) (I Blanchi) J Banks 4-10-11 S Kelphiley	
		KROKPRIKZ 10 (D,S) (Market Resen Racing Club) M Chapman 4-10-0. W Worthhopton	
		CBLTIC CATCH 254 (D.F) (Mrs B Long) J Bosley 6-10-0 M Bosley	
7		SCAPLET EXPRESS 241 (CD,G) (Miss J Toulson) & Richmond 5-10-0 A Magnine	
- 5	00-50	POBIT TAKEN 10 (Mrs C Morgan) K Morgan 5-10-0 A S Smith	
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5	44-3316	COLDEN GURBER 41 (D.F.R.S) (M. Stevens) M. McCourt 4-11-0
3	000035-	PRESENT TIMES 242 (D.F.G.S) (Mrs S Green) A Moons 6-11-0
4	51311 D	RARPY'S OREAM 91 (D) (J Blanchi) J Banks 4-10-11 S Kelphiley (
5	511-734	KROKPRIKZ 10 (D,S) (Market Resen Racing Club) M. Chapman 4-10-0 . W Worthbaston 1
		CELTIC CATCH 254 (D.F) (Mrs B Long) J Bosley 6-10-0 M Bosley (
7	455UP-	SCAPLET EXPRESS 241 (CD.6) (Miss J Toulson) & Richmond 5-10-0 A Maguine 9
5	00-50	POINT TAKEN 10 (Mrs C Morgan) K Morgan 5-10-0
000	handicare	Krongrinz 9-10, Cellic Calch 9-7, Scarlet Emress 9-7, Point Calon 9-1
		San Lorenzo, 11-4 Golden Gunner, 7-2 Barty's Drewn, 17-2 Keampriez, 10-1 Pows Take
		nes, 16-1 Cellic Catch, 25-1 Scarlet Express.

Entertaining insight into a champion

Martin Pipe, the story of the champion National Hunt trainer, ranks as one of the most entertaining books writ-ten about racing (Michael Seely writes).

Although no literary mas-terpiece, this frank account of the rise to fame of the bookmaker's son from Taunton is the stuff of life itself. Richard Pitman, the compiler and joint author, is to be warmly congratulated on having unearthed such riveting

material from Pipe, his wife, Carol, his father. Dave, and assistant, Chester Barnes. I was shaking my head in amazement from start to fin-

ish, beginning with the open-ing account of the trainer and Barnes collecting more than £53,000 from the Haydock bookmakers after Carrie Ann had won a seller in 1980. The book offers a deep

insight into jump racing's most successful training operation and examines the contradictions of the man himself: from his school days, when, as bookmaker, he was crafty enough to float false rumours about supposed good things to deceive his unsuspecting class-mates; to the present day, when, at a hard-bitten 48, he is still sufficiently sentimental to keep his one-eyed childhood teddy bear at the otherwise immaculate Pond House. ☐ Martin Pipe, by Pipe and Richard Pitman, is published

by Headline, price £16.99.

MANDARIN 12.50 Jimmy Mac Jimmy, 1.20 Rainham, 1.50 Wait You There, 2.20 Falcon Flight, 2.50 Tres Amigos.

THUNDERER 12.50 Jimmy Mac Jimmy. 1.20 Rainham. 1.50 Anti-nous. 2.20 Falcon Flight. 2.50 Portonia, 3.20 St Ville.

RICHARD EVANS: 2.50 Otterburn House.

GOING: GOOD 12.50 WETHERBY RACING BUREAU NOVICES

CHASE	(£2,289: 2m) (12 runners)
1 4	M1 JUANY MAC JUANY 7 (0,5) Miss L Permi 5-11-7 L O'Hera
2 R	COSF ANYXAS 10 (D,G) G Moore 7-11-0 J Colleghan
3 45	2U BEAUCADEAU 7 (D.SF.F) M Barres 6-11-0
4 P	PP BENGARN 16 (D,S) 6 Richards 9-11-0
	OS HOLDFORTH 23 (F) W Halph 5-11-0
5 2	21/ HUTTNER 559F (6) M Dots 7-11-0
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9 0-	36 TARTAN TORNADO 18 6 Richards 6-11-0
	P- WARRIORS CODE 336 D Toda 9-11-0 X Jones
11 52	UU DIZZY DEALER 10 Mrs J Jordan 5-10-9
12 4	4-P PROUD CROZER 22 5 Chestwick 10-10-9 C Dennis (3)
5-2 Jimm	y Mar. Jimmy, 3-1 Tartan Torrado, 9-2 Autas, 5-1 Beaucadeau, 8-1 Dizzy
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1.20 GLEBE NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE

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5	050	PLUCKY PUNTER 18 M H SENSON 4-10-12	L \\y
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1.50 NORTH EAST BUS L'TO HANDICAP CHASE

G General Communication of Communication 5-2 Massathur, 11-4 Androus, 4-1 Positive Acesa, 5-1 Southern Minstell, 8-1 Wall You There, 16-1 String Eigness, 50-1 Coophan Star, Deadline.

2.20 BURN HOUSE CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,749: 2m) (17)



2.50 ALLIED REINFORCEMENTS HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,406: 3m 11 110yd) (10)

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- 2	3-15	LAURIE-0 23 (F.G.S) R Lamb 8-11-13
3	IESP	HANDY TRICK 13 (B.F.S.S) Mrs H Bell 11-11-4 K Comerted 77
4	3411	PORTOMA 27 (CD.F.S) Mrs M Rowsley 8-11-4 J Codd (7)
- 5	1921	TRES AMBGOS 25 (CD.F.St.) Johnson 5-11-2 & Lamach (R)
6	2335	BAVARO BAY 10 (Y,S) G Richards 8-11-1
7	-055	ABBENOIR 10 (D,6,5) Mrs M Kendall 10-10-8_ Mrs M Kendal
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COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Miss M Reveloy, 17 whoses from 76 reinfers, 24.3%; 6. Richards, 18 from 78, 23.1%; //icroy Fregenid, 19 from 86, 21.3%; J. Johnson, 7 from 46, 15.2%; G Moora, 10 from 72, 13.9%; Mrs V Accordey, 3 from 24, 12.5%. ACCIONET, S INCOMENT, 12-24.

JOCKETS, In M. Buckley, 3 winners from 4 rides, 75 0%. N Dougety, 16 Incer 64, 25,0%, D Syrae, 9 from 40, 18,8%, J Callegian, 9 from 63, 14,3%, C Genel, 11 from 84, 13,1%, B Storey, 11 from 86, 12,5%.

Doe Fanning was banned for four days (December 26-29) for excessive use of the whip on Intrepid Fort, who finished fifth to Super Summit at Southwell yesterday.



Going: soft
12.30 (2m hdie) 1, ROYAL FLAMINGO (R
Beogan, 50-1); 2, Benjamin (M Hazal,
16-1), 3, Blanc Seing (R Dumocody, Evans
(an), ALSO RAN: 7-4 Sausatin Boy (4th), 10
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Bravery at Javington, Tote \$23,90, 53,90,
23,60, \$1,20, DF; \$2182,10, CSF; \$259,24. 1.00 (2m 5/ ch) 1, DAKYNS BOY (P Scudemore, 11-8 fax; Richard Evans's fas); 2, Coseden Cottage (A Maguste, 11-1), 3, Yahseb (G McCourt, 5-2), ALSO

Tota: 22.40, E1.50, 22.50. DF: £18.30. CSF: £19.35.

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FAN: 11-2 Marradong Brook (pu), 8 Rath-vanden House (ur), 20 Carrejlavin (pu), Sea Buck (pu), 25 Glengriffin (pu), Sensinoss (4th), 35 Bormo (pu), Look Lively (pu), Thus Andronicus (f), 50 Famile (pu), Feeling Rosey (pu), 14 srn. 1st, 20, cst. NT Wetton-Davies at Chetanham Tota: 23.50; £1.60, 22.10, £1.70. DF: £30.00. CSF: £19.50. Devises at Charles and Control of the Control of th

242.20. CSF: 287.31.
3.30 (2m hole) 1, IRISH BAY-(R Dunecody, 2-1); 2, Grand Hawk (P Scudernore, 4-6 fev); 3, Said (A Dicken, 50-1). ALSO RAN.
12 Weldn Colege (4th), 14 Broadwell (8th), 16 Absolutely Right (bin), 25 Mester Frith, 50 Brave Ben (pul. 8 ran. NR: Archie Brown, General Brandy, 101, 20, 8, 121, 8 N Henderson at Lambourn. Tote: £3.20; £1.20, £1.10, £7.80. DF: £1.40. CSF: £3.78. Placepot: £24.50. Kelso

Kelso
Geing: good to soft
12.40 (2m 110)d hdie) 1, Sweet City (D
Barry, 14-1); 2, West With The Wind (10-1);
3, Wille Sperkle (5-20sy), 13 ran. 5(.4), G
Richards, Tota: £13.50; £2.10, £2.50. £1.60.
DF: £42.80, CSF; £131.54. Thisast: £424.73.
1.10 (2m 6f 110)d ch) 1, Piper O'Drumanond (A Merrigen, 68-1); 2, Breek The Chain
44-1); 3, Viver Belle (88-1). River Pead 64
fav. 13 ran. 384, rix, Min. S Brannal. Tota:
£43.80; £7.10, £2.10, £78.70. DF: £169.60.
CSF. £300.81.
1.40 (2m 6f 110)d hdie) 1, Callidh Boy (8
Storey, 7-1); 2, Celtic Song (10-1); 3, Knock
Rank (4-1). Miner Jackson 7-4 tav. 15 ran.
NF: Chief Reider. 4, 3 384, Mrs. J Goodfellow, Tota: £4.60; £2.00, £1.80, £1.90. DF:
£57.30. CSF: £88.45.
2.10 (2m 6f 110)d chi 1, Night Guest (M
Motoney, 11-4); 2, Super Fournain (25-1)
Denny Connors 30-100 fav (i), 3 ran. 12, P
Montieth, Tota: £3.40. DF: £3.80. CSF:
£15.51.
2.40 (2m 110)d hdie) 1, Köllew (C Grant,
4 the National Section 5 for the Harbeton. E15.51.
2.40 (2m 110yd hole) 1, Kidlew (C Grant, 4-1); 2, Westholme (2-5 lea); 3, Highlandman (16-4), 14 ran, Hd, 354 P Chesebrough, Tote: £7.80; £1.80, £1.20, £2.00.
DF: £3.20, CSF: £5.88.
3.10 (3m 41 ct) 1, Whaat Feute (M Mobrey, Evens lay), 2, 80d Sperian (65-1); 3, Curousel Rocket (14-1), 6 ran, 1i, 101. G

TRAINERS
M Tompkins
M Pom
Mrs. J Reder
Mrs. J Reder
N Twiston-Darles
J J O'Nett
T Thomson Jones

☐ Charles Barnett, chief exec-

managing director of Aintree.

Southwell Going: standard 12.20 (1m) 1, Lock Keeper (3 Cener, 15-8); 2, Absonei (5-4 lav); 3, Sirtelimer (10-1). 9 ran. 4], sh hd. J. Meckie. Tote: £1.90, £1.10, £1.10, £3.50, DF: £2.00, CSF: £5.11.

Home, 6, 2, 6, 2, 3, P Cundell at Newbury. Total: £32,40; £5,50, £1,30, £1,50. DF: £42,20, CSF; £87,31.

Barnett takes over from John

attack last week.

21.0. 21.10, 23.50. DF 22.00. CSF: 25.11.
12.50 (1m) 1. Gold Belt (N. Humphries, 12-1); 2. King Pennt (11-10 last); 3. Reldaw (9-2), 6 ren. 11, sh. hd. R. Hollinshead. Tote 23.70; 21.50, 21.60. DF: 29.20. CSF: 25.58.
1.20 (1m) 1. Super Summit (G. Berdwell, 74: law); 2. Mennyhili Marlam (12-1); 3. Candisco (9-2), 9 ran. 4, 21. J. Peans. Tota. 22.30; 21.10, 22.50; 21.90. DF: 29.10. CSF: 22.147.

E230; E1.10, £2.50, £1.90. DF: £9.10. CSF: £21.47.

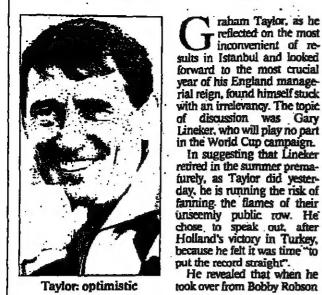
1.50 (Im. 4f) 1, Ciliton Chase (Deen McKeown, 7-1); 2, Alfantic Way (4-1), 3, Modest Hope (8-1); 4, Kinoko £9.2, Swest Rewingl 7-2 fav. 16 ran. NPt Touch Above. 5, 294, M Janker Toler £900; £1.80, £2.10. £2.90, £1.10. DF: £70.80 CSF: £36.61. The cast £176.88

2.20 (7f) 1, Johnston's Express (Srephen Davies, 4-1); 2, Don't Drop Bomba (13-2); 3, Limons Dancer (25-1). Claudia Miss 7-2 fav. 14 an. NPt Vuctivationacher, 154, 294 E Alston. Tole: £5.10; £2.00, £2.30, £15.20. DF: £22.00. CSF: £32.04 Theast: £555.79

2.50 (7f) 1, Missier Blake (Emma O'Gorman. 1-2); 2, Eriding (5-1); 3, Spring Flyer (2-1 fav. 8 nar. NPt Gell Next Color 2, 17st. W O'Gorman. Tole: £8.60; £1.10, £1.50. £1.70. DF: £21.10. CSF: £32.41. Titinast: £88.05.

3.20 (6f) 1, Miss Gorgeous (Emma O'Gorman, 65 isw); 2, Piss/ Hever Gol (13-2); 3, Friendly Smile (12-1), 11 can. 4ii, 5; W O'Gorman. Tole: £2.50; £1.80, £3.70, £7.80 DF: £8.80 CSF: £10.73.

Taylor questions timing of Lineker's retirement



sults in Istanbul and looked forward to the most crucial year of his England managerial reign, found himself stuck with an irrelevancy. The topic Lineker, who will play no part in the World Cup campaign. In suggesting that Lineker

retired in the summer premafurely, as Taylor did yesterday, he is running the risk of fanning the flames of their unseemly public row. He' speak out, after Holland's victory in Turkey, because he felt it was time "to put the record straight". He revealed that when he

raham Taylor, as he two years ago he gained the reflected on the most impression that the captain he appointed was not looking to extend his international career beyond 1992. Once Lineker had assured England of a place in the European championship finals by scor-ing the equaliser in Poland 13 months ago, the intention was

Taylor believes that Lineker chose too early to hang up his golden England boots. "How can anyone decide to retire from international football before they are 30?" he asked Lineker reached that age in October 1990.

"I respect the player's deci-sion, but I find it strange." Having watched Gullit and Rijkaard emerge from self-



STUART **JONES**

Football Correspondent

nesday night, Taylor went on ble example. "You hope that younger players do not see something to retire from," he "Who would want to retire? It is over soon enough

Taylor feels he was drawn into the dispute by John Holmes, Lineker's agent. "I was most reflictant to get

involved but I had no choice but to rebut the personal criticism from him." Taylor said. "As far as I am aware, I have never had any problems

Yet Lineker, substituted towards the end of England's dosing European championship tie against Sweden, recently broke his own silence on the controversial incident. He expressed the thought that Taylor's action, which

end his international career. may have been based on more than mere tactics.

"It was not personal." Taylor once more insisted. "But if this continues, it will be hard to convince people otherwise. here seems to be something building up to make it personal. I never saw it that way and every time Gary was taken off or brought on, he responded like a good professional:

"It is unfortunate that this has cropped up because I have to prepare mentally for a very important year."

would have brightened con-siderably on Wednesday had the Turks been blessed with a

brought to an ignominious tory mature. They created more than sufficient openings to have crushed the less than redoubtable Dutch morale and perhaps even knocked them out of contention.

From his vantage point, in lor watched a tie in which one team had the chances and the other took them.

Toup two has thus developed into a competition between four places, as seemed predictable when the draw was made. As was apparent then, England's destiny will be determined largely in the last few months

The fixture against Holland

of this season.

to be particularly significant and Taylor saw enough during the game in Turkey to cling on to optimism.

I always felt we could score against them [Holland]," he said after their defensive vul-nerability had been con-firmed, "but they will be lifted by their first win under their

new manager. He was denied the services of van Basten and Bergkamp, who were injured. They could yet damage Taylor's ambition of leading England to the World Cup finals in the United States, During a week in which he has been verbally dualling with his own most reliable scorer, the prospect

Birdies fly in encouraging start by Faldo

FROM MITCHELL PLATTS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT IN MONTEGO BAY

NICK Faldo made an encournging start as many of his rivals struggled in the first round of the Johnnie Walker world championship at Tryali vesterday. Faldo launched his challenge with three birdies in his first seven holes, and he held a share of the early lead with the Australian, Craig Parry, who was out in 33.

But Fred Couples, the defending champion and Faldo's playing partner, was one of several to find the uncompromising rough a severe examination on their patience. Couples drove into the thigh-high hay at the 4th. He failed to move the ball with his first swish, moved it two vards with his next and finally recovered to the fairway with his next. He marked an eight on his card.

The Masters champion was not alone in having a horror-story to relate. Sandy Lyle, Paul Azinger and Robert Al-lenby had sevens: Christy O'Connor Jr and Steve

Elkington took eights. Brad Faxon, of the United States, was quite literally at sixes (at the 7th and 9th) and sevens (10th) and went one over the eight when he took nine at the 8th.

Yet the cream of world golf had conditions in their favour with the wind a mere zephyr compared to the gale-force blast that drove most to distraction a year ago. The organisers had also ordered the rough to be cut back. widening the driving area by

more than 15 yards in places. Severiano Ballesteros was struggling to keep his equilibrium from the moment he took five at the short 3rd where his tee-shot spun back into the deep rough. He hacked the ball over the green and took

The Spaniard took three putts at the 6th and he drove out of bounds for a six at the 8th. Out in 40, he must have been wondering why he had interrupted a prolonged holiday at home to compete here. He finished in 76.

Ballesteros had been asked by the Spanish press on Wed-. He informed them that he felt no admiration for Faldo because "he needs to win more

to get on my level".

Faldo, however, put himself very much in the driving seat as he remained in command to the turn, which he reached in 32. He enjoys nothing more than an examining course, and he kept his head while others around him were losing theirs.
Mark Roe, who earned his

place in the tournament by winning the Lancôme Trophy in September, compiled a creditable 71, one over par, with which he shared the early Australia

Roe began by holing from 40 feet for a birdle at the 1st. He drove into a ditch to drop a shot at the 4th, but hit a fouriron to 15 feet for a two at the

shot at the 11th where he missed the green to the left.

But he played the last seven holes in level par, and struck the ball with increasing authority. He holed from eight feet for a birdie at the 16th, but took three putts from the back of the green at the next.



Poles apart: Roger-Yves Bost winning the Christmas Pudding Stakes yesterday

EQUESTRIANISM

Whitaker's pace is too hot to handle

By JENNY MACARITHUR

MICHAEL Whitaker and Everest My Messieur, the win-ners of the Derby at Wembley in October, were back in the winners' enclosure at Olympia yesterday after a stirring per-formance in the Christmas Mistletoe Stakes:

Unlike Wambley, when their win was overshadowed by the death of the Swiss horse, Sir Arkay, at The Bank, the class yesterday — a power and speed competition — was a fitting showcase for the partnership

The field included several of Europe's leading horses, in-cluding Abbeville la Silla. ridden by the Dutchman, Jan Tops, and Ancit Countryman, ridden by David Broome.

Whitaker jumped nimbly around the speed section of the course in 20.19sec. He then sat and watched as successive riders tried in vain to match his time.

competitions at Olympia, pro-President Papillon but was more than one second slower than Whitaker.

The next threat came from Nick Skelton but it was not his day. Turning sharply after the Wager, slipped on to his side. Whitaker's win underlines

the versatility of My Messieur, who he has been riding for three years. You can jump him in anything and he'll always have a chance of winning," he said.

HIDIS, ITE SELL.

RESULTS: Modern Security Systems Christmes Pudding States: 1, Respell (R-Y Sost, Fr), 47.82aer; 2, Evenes Ficicle (R Syelton, Sign), 48.96; 3, Hoose Jernes (M Michaels, US), 51.28. NPS Ridden Mountain and Moorland Chemploraship: Chemplor: Mrs O Brien's Lumesdale Lucky Lady, Reserver. Mr and Mrs P Taylor's Langised Cariff. Christmes Michaelse; 1, Evenest Mr Messieur (M Whiteless, GB), 0 faults in 20.19ee;; 2, President Papillon (R-Y Boat, Fr), 0, 21.74; 3, Luckie (R Smith, GB), 0, 21.78.

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Yeovil plan to give regular supporters reward in FA Cup

YEOVIL Town plan to pull in two additional bumper 6,000plus crowds on the back of their FA Cup tie against Arsenal on January 2, but they believe it is a fair price to demand of supporters desperate to see Steve Rutter's team add to the club's already illustrious record. A victory over Arsenal would match the 2-1 win over Sunderland in 1948-9 that made the Somerset dub the most widely known in non-League foot-ball.

Supporters who attend the GM Vauxhall Conference match against Bromsgrove Rovers tomorrow will receive a voucher that can be exchanged for a ticket when they attend the match against Bath City on December 28. Bryan Moore, the chairman, said: "We want to make sure our our regular supporters get tickets. When we were bust, it was their donations that kept

s going."
Yeovil's approach to their supporters reflects a sensitivity acquired from two-and-a-half seasons of struggle to try to clear a debt of £750,000, largely incurred by their move from the sloping ground at the Huish in the town centre to Huish Park, in Houndsditch, an industrial estate three miles outside town. Prices for terrace tickets will be doubled for the tie to £8 for the match.

Meanwhile, after a day of panic leading up to Wednes-day night's match against VS Rugby, including a frantic repair job by an electricity board official after a routine check at 5.00pm revealed the floodlights were not working. Marlow kept their feet firmly on the ground. Their 2-0 win landed a home tie against Tottenham Hotspur, to be played at White Hart Lane.

Terry Staines, the vice-chairman, said: "We expect to make about £60,000 and all it means is we won't be making such a big loss. In the past few years, we've been losing £25,000 to £30,000. A lot of people in the town go to watch Wycombe, which is only three

FA secures sponsor

THE FA Premier League backer - Lucozade previously sponsorship contract yesterday when Lucozade Sport became its official supplier of soft drinks (Louise Taylor writes).

The deal, worth £3 million over three years, should earn the 22 Premier League teams about £45,000 each per season. Lucozade will become an accessory to all Premier League fixtures, with players drinking out of plastic bottles bearing the brand name. customised tracksuits and perimeter ground advertising.

It is the first time that the 22 clubs have shared a common Tottenham Hotpsur, Liverpool and Middlesbrough. John Barnes, the Liverpool and England winger, has a personal contract with the company and was in London to launch the agreement

In August, the Premier League was close to signing a multi-million pound contract with Bass, the brewer, but it collapsed because of a conflict of interests with those clubs committed to individual beer sponsorships with rival

SNOW REPORTS

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TODAY'S FIXTURES

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Information supplied by Ski Hotline

FOOTBALL Barclays League First division

Cambridge United v -Bristol Rovers (7.45) Third division

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Priton Farry v Afart Lido; First Town v Holywell. NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Norwich City v Milwall

RUGBY LEAGUE Stones Bitter Championship First division

OTHER SPORT EQUESTRIANISM; Clympis Horse Show

IN BRIEF English pair take title

Gill Clark and Gillian Gowers, of England, won the world grand prix badminton dou-bles final in Kuala Lumpur yesterday when they beat Rosiana Tendean and Erma Sulistianingsih, of Indonesia, 18-15, 15-5.

The former European champions defied the humid Malaysian conditions to reverse the result from the Indonesian Open final.

Smith beaten

Boxing: Fidel Castro Smith, of Sheffield, lost on all three judges' cards in the European super-middleweight title bout against Vincenzo Nardiello in

Arricia, Italy, ☐ French officials want Derek Angol suspended for using a stimulant during his Euro-pean cruiserweight bout with Akim Tafer.

Coaches honoured

Coaching: The Princess Royal presented British Institute of Sports Coaches awards. SPORTS COACTIES RWATOS.
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Carl steps up

Swimming: Martin Carl, 17, of Redbridge, has been selected in the 31-strong England senior squad for 1993.

Making waves

Serfing: Martin Potter, of Britain, won a World Cup event in Honolulu, collecting £8,000 in prize-money.

CRICKET

smuggled past the gate

India, who included three

spinners in a reshuffled team,

did well to restrict the South

African batsmen in good con-ditions. Wessels and Kirsten

added 93 in 23 overs for the

second wicket and provided

the 37th over, with only two men out, but the remaining

13 overs brought only a fur-

ther 66 runs. Kumble once

again kept everyone subdued

and Kapil Dev bowled a remarkably tight line.

Hudson had a rare failure

when he tried to drive Kapil

on the back foot and was caught behind. Kirsten was

soon driving with confidence

and twice hit Shastri for

After Kirsten lifted a catch to

long-off, Wessels continued to

drive and pull freely before he

fell to a good catch at short

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-28, 2-121, 3-157, 4-162, 5-173, 6-198, 7-215, 8-218.

BOWLING: Problem 10-1-54-1 (no.1); Kepir Dev 10-4-23-3; Raju 10-1-45-0; Sharma 4-0-18-0; Kumble 10-1-33-1; Shas-tri 5-0-36-1.

straight sixes.

Edras (b2, b5, rb1) ...

South Africa reached 150 in

the main impetus.

Prabhakar fails to enjoy his reprieve

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN DURBAN

A FLUENT 78 by Kepler Wessels provided the main substance as South Africa made 216 for eight in the sixth day/night international with India here yesterday. South Africa have already gained a winning 4-1 lead in the series. In reply. India made a steady start before Prabhakar and Jadeja were out within seven balk with 42 scored in 16 overs. Prabhakar had just been loudly booed for indicating to the umpire, Liebenberg, that a ball by Matthews to

which he was given out caught behind had been above his shoulder. Under the one-day regulations it, therefore, ranked as a bouncer and no ball should have been called. Diedericks, the umpire at square leg, belatedly signalled the offence and Liebenberg

allowed the bassman to stay. It did not make any difference as Prabhakai was again caught behind from the next ball. Jadeja went the same way in Pringle's next over. Shortly after these wickets fell there was the first crowd trouble and police went into

SOUTH AFRICA
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H Methew's not out 18 the grass enclosure and removed a spectator. As this happened a firework belched orange smoke in the enclosure and play was briefly suspended while a few cans and other objects were thrown on the outfield. The 26,000 crowd were very much on trial after spectator trouble at Bloemfontein on Tuesday. Fireworks INDIA: M Probheker, A Ö Jecheje, S M Margeleir, "M Azheruddin, S R Tenduller, R J Shastet, Kapil Dav, IV Yazler, C S Sharma, V Palju, A Kumble. were supposed to have been banned but some had been

Simmons humbles **Pakistan**

Sydney: Phil Simmons recorded the most economical spell in the history of one-day internationals as West Indies bowled out Pakistan for 81 in a World Series Cup day/night game here yesterday to win the match by 133 runs. Simmons, better known as a

barsman, entered the record books with his figures of 10-8-3-4, surpassing the previous best of 12-8-6-1 by the Indian left-arm spinner, Bishen Bedi. Only two scoring strokes - by Inzaman and Wasim Akram were played off his medium-paced bowling.

WEST INDIES Extres (b 4, b 9, w 12, nb 4)

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BASKETBALL

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6.00 Ceefax (98166) 6.30 Breakfast News begins with Business Breaklast until 6.55 when Laurie Mayer and Tanya Sillem present news and topical reports with regular business, sport, weather, regional news and travel bulletins (408148)

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9.05 Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject (2785692) 9.45 Ross King. Game show (8777586)

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 10.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick. Weekday magazine presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen (s). With News (Ceetax) and weather at 11.00 and 12.00 (4868760) 12.15 Pebble Mill. Alan Titchmarsh introduces the final of the annual "A

Song For Christmas" competition for children (s) (8483944) 12.55
Regional News and weather (85517302)

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather (20692)

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (21958760) 1,50 Eldorado (r). (Ceefax)

(s) (37205215)

2.20 Going for Gold. The final of the general knowledge quiz with European contestants. A beaming Henry Kelly introduces the eight yying to win a luxury holiday (s) (99052012) 2.45 The Flying Doctors. Medical drama set in the Australian outback (7513370) 3.30 Cartoon (5067692) 3.45 Bump (r) (6768692) 3.50 Puppydog Tates narrated by Victora Wood (5411091) 3.55 Superbods. Last in the series exploring the human body (5053499) 4.10 Chipmunks. Go to the Movies (s) (8644215) 4.35 Take Two. Sarah Greene introduces a junkor version of Channel 4's Right to Reply (s) (6719215) (5718215)

5.00 Newsround (7332465) 5.05 Byker Grove, Children's drame serial set in and around a Geordie youth centre. (Ceefax) (9652893)

Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (225470). Northern treland: Inside

6.00 Stx O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. (Ceefax)

Weather (505)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (857). Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (s) (5215)
7.30 Don't Wait Up. George Layton's amiable comedy starring Nigel Havers and Tony Britton as lather and son doctors (r). (Ceefax) (741). Northern Ireland: Sportscene



8.00 Hearts of Gold. A Christmas edition in which Esther Rantzen and Mike Smith are joined by children's programmes presenters and 250 youngsters on a day trip to Lapland to meet Father Christmes. (Ceefax) (s) (2079)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis, (Ceefax) Regional news 9.30 Son Of the Morning Star. The second and final part of the drama

series following the events that led to the massacre of General Custer's forces at the battle of Little Big Horn. Starring Gary Cole as Custer, Rodney A. Grant as Crazy Horse and Floyd Red Crow Westerman as Sitting Bull. (Ceefax) (s) (204383). Northern Ireland: Anderson on the Box 10.25 Son of the Morning Star

11.05 Terry Wogan's Friday Night. Guests include Tony Sistley, Dan Aykroyd and Steve Coogan (s) (445012)
11.45 International Showjumping from the Grand Hall, Olympia. The featured event is the Everest Christmas Cake Stakes (s) (711692).

fornime dame: Esther Rantzen with Ken Tozey (8.00cm)

Northern Ireland: 12.00 Terry Wogan 12.35am Paradiae, Western series starting Lee Horsley and Signid Thornton (6596548), Northern Ireland: 12.40-1.30 Showjumping 1,20 Weather (3317600)

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RADIO 3

BBC2

.00 Breekfast News (5038128) 8.15 Westminster (5127215) 9.00 Film: Yali in the Saddle (1944, b/w) staming John Wayne and Elle Raines. Sprightly western directed by Edwin L. Marin (5028383) 10.20 Film: Affair With a Stranger (1953, b/w) steming Victor Mature and Jean Simmons. Drame, told in flashback, about the break-up of a

marriage between a successful playwright and his beautiful write. Directed by Roy Rowland (7550526)

11.50 Michael Barry's Choice Cuts. Vegetable recepes (6585321)

12.00 Look Stranger. A profile of Bill Abernethy, a professional pearl fisherman (r) (6150789)

12.29 The Royal Institution Christmas Lectures (r) (s) (2846769) 1.20 Fingermouse (r) (40156586) 1.35 Another War, Another Peace. Last in the series about life in the 1940s and 1950s (37226708)

2.00 News and weather (89093789) 2.05 Sport on Friday, Golf: the first-round of the Johnnie Welker World championship in Jamaka; Showjumping from Olympia; and Motocross: the Transattantic

Stowylamping from Clyritipet, and Molocross: the Transatiantic Supercross from Birmingham (763654)

4.00 Catchword, Game for wordsmiths hosted by Paul Cola (s) (470)

4.30 Behind the Headilines. Shyama Perera with media and showbusiness news (654) 5.00 Delia Smith's Christmae. A guide to cooking at Christmae. (i). (Ceefex) (6321) 5.30 Top Gear. Includes a report from the 24 hours Le. Mans lant race (i) (s) (234)

6.00 Stingray. Classic puppet series (i) (Ceefex) (987645)

6.25 The Man From UNCLE. Spoof secret service adventures starring Robert Version and Devid McCallum (i). (Ceefex) (646490)

6.25 The Man From UNCLE. Spoof secret serVice advertures starring Robert Vauginn and Devid McCallium (r) (Ceelast) (649498)
7.15 Dr Who. Last of the five-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee (r) (919128) 7.40 What the Papers Say presented by Isobel Hilton of The Independent (796499) 7.55 Prisoners of Conscience. With Bill Monts, general secretary of the TGWU (238315)
8.00 Public Eye: Home and Alone. Jenny Cuffe reports on the elderly who have slipped through council and welfere loopholes and are not being properly looked after (2505)
8.30 The Living Garden. Geoff Hamilton looks at ways of working with nature. (Ceefax) (1012)
9.00 The Face of Tutankhamun: Heads in the Sand.

● CHOICE: Christopher Frayling rounds off his engressing five-parter with the sad story of how the artefacts from King Tut's formb are disintegrating in a museum in Calro. Exposure to leaking roots, exhaust furnes and high humidity is clearly no way preserve some of the world's finest treesures. And restoration work is only making things worse. Frayling release wider questions about the preservation of antiquities, such as whether intermetional attempts to muscle in on an Egyptien heritage is cultural colonialism (723321) to muscle in on an Egyptian heritage is cultural colonialism (723321) 9.50 Sister Wendy's Odyssey. Wendy Beckett examines Birmingham's art treasures. (Ceefax) (365499)



Polding fun at 1992: Histop, Desyton and Merton (10.00pm)

10.00 Have I Got News For You. Ian Hislop and Paul Merton are joined by Stephen Fry and Frank Skinner, With Angus Deayton (s) (31147) 10.30 Newsaight presented by Peter Snow (762031) 11.15 Prisoners of Conscience, Introduced by Clare Francis (100012)

11.20 Late Show Special.

CHOICE: The English translation of the biography of Leni
Riefenstahl is the peg for a reassessment of *Triumph of the Will*, her
notorious film about the 1934 Nazi party rally in Nuremberg.
Brilliantly lit, composed and edited, it is striking example of
cinematic art. At the same time it is a blatent and mesmerising celebration of an evil ideology. Riefenstahl has always claimed the she was merely a film-maker with no interest in politics. None of tonight's contributors, who include the Charlots of Fire director Hugh Hudson and Professor George Steiner will wear that for a second. But there is still admiration for the young Riefenstaht's extraordinary use of film technique. There is, curiously, no word fenstahl herealf, now 90 and working as a photographer in

Munich: A showing of the film follows (195505)

12.06em Film: Triumph of the Will (1935, b/w). A rare-television airing for Leni Riefenstahl's remarkable celebration of the 1934 Nuremberg rally (457345) 1.50 Self Exposure: Family Gethering. Lise Yasui, a Japanese-American, explores her family's history (9573722) 2.20 Weather (8675567)

ITV LONDON

8.00 TV-am (5466079)

9.25 Keynotes. Music game show hosted by Alistair Dwall (6642586)
9.55 Regional News (9124673)
10.00 Film: Babas in Toyland (1961). A Disney fantasy adventure about a wicked man trying to disrupt a wedding in Toyland by snatching the bridgeroom and marrying sanda, Tommy Kirk, Ed Wynn and Arnette Funiceto. Directed by Jack Donohue (57394383) 11.55 Regional News (6550234) 12.00 Cartoon featuring Goofy (1382878) 12.10 Rainbow. Early Isaming series (1) (6143499)

12.30 Lunchtime News with Dermot Mumaghan and Sonia Ruseler.
(Oracle) Weather (1083692) 1.05 Regional News (40171895)
1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (475437)
1.45 Who's the Boss? American comedy series starring Tony

2.15 Highway to Heaven. Joneshan, the earthbound apprentice angel, helps a store's Father Christmas after he is arrested for protesting about the shop selling toy weapons. Staming Michael Landon

(7052147) 3.10 ITN News headines (7505892) 3.15 Regional News headines (7504963) 3.20 GP. Medical drama senal set in a suburban

Australia surgery (3422296)
3.50 Scooby Doo. Cartoon adversures (5049296) 4.05 Cartoon testuring Tweety Pie (7010789) 4.15 Victor and Hugo. Animated misadventures of two incompetent crooks. With the voice of David Jason (8638654) 4.40 Knightmare. Last in the senes of the medieval dungeon game and four schoolboys from Middlesex pit

medievel dungeon game and four schoolboys from Middlesex pit their wits against the electronic wizardry (5700296) 5.05 Cartoon with Porky Pig (2491654).

5.15 LWT News and weather (8184706)
5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (127499) 6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (573) 6.30 Park High. Last part of the fly-on-the-wall look at tife in a suburban comprehensive school. As Christmas nears the headmaster prepares to make a grand exit with a spectacular performance in the staff partio (r) (925) staff panto (f) (925) Through the Keyhole presented by David Frost, Loyd Grossman

gives the clues to the identity of a mystery homeowner to guests.

Alan Tichmarsh, Eve Pollard and Doc Cox. (Oracle) (2893)

7.30 Coronation Street. After the ball, Martin Platt wakes up with more

than a hangover. (Cracle) 8.00 Gone to Seed. Last in the comedy-drama sequal to Gone to the Dogs, starring Alison Steadman, Jim Broadbent, Warren Clarke, Shella Hancock and Peter Cook. The conniving Wesley thinks that he has control of the garden centre within his grasp (Oracle) (s)

9.00 Framed. The fourth and final part of Lynda La Plante's drama about a supergrass on the run. Staming Timothy Dalton, Timothy West and David Morrissey. (Cracle) (7383)

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Julia Somerville. (Oracle) Weather (639079) 10.35 LWT News and weather (608944) 10.40 Missing. The first of a new series presented by Alastair Stewart and Fiona Foster devoted to tracking down missing people (524708)

11.40 Dist Midnight. Phone in entertainment hosted by Anastasia Cooke and Samantha Norman (727383)

1.05am One to One. Singer Gloria Estefan talks to Gary Davies

me Under. The latest trends in Australia (8366068) 2.40 Cinemattractions. Movie news from the United States (9439908) 3.15 Raw Power. Rock video magazine (s) (583398) 4.15 The Look in the Mirror. The third and final part of the French

drama serial about a glamorous American photographer in Paris English dialogue (6709884) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Neilson (72345). Ends at 6.00



Pot shot: Alison Steadman comforts Rulus Sewell (8.00pm)

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Cartoons (52876) 7.00 The Big Breaklast (10215)
9.00 You Bet Your Life. Game show hosted by Bill Crosby (s) (6830741)
9.25 Film: London Belongs To Me (1948, bw) staming Richard Attenborouch and Alassiair Sim Well-crafted drama about a young

garage mechanic whose fellow lodgers rally round when he is accused of murder. Directed by Sidney Gilliat (34278944) 11.30 Credo. A report from France on whether Islam, the country's second largest religion, can adopt to European Idestyles as have Judaism and Christianity (7895)

12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Anne Perkins (25566) 12.30 Sesame Street (64128) 1.30 The Herbs (75447760) 1.45 The

Clargers (r) (75442215)

2.00 Film: Torch Song (1953). The Joan Crawford season continues with this overcooked story of a singing star on the slods who falls in love with her blind accompanist (Michael Wilding). Directed by Charles Walters (892483)

3,40 Pete Smith Specialities. Landlording It (b/w) (5702708) 4.00 Travelog: Reports from Hampton Court, Devon and Prague (r). (Teletext) (s) (166) 4.30 Fifteen To One. The final of the fast-

5.00 Cutting Edge: Aycliffe's Children. How seven adults, first seen 15 years ago as disturbed adolescents in County Durham, have coped with later life (t) (7296)

6.00 Blossom. Comedy about a teenage gul in an otherwise all-male

Los Angeles household (s) (215)
6.30 Happy Days American high school comedy (Teleted) (895)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext)
Weather (848128) 7.50 First Reaction (s) (583483)

8.00 Brookside. Soap set in suburban Merseyside. (Teletext) (S) (7673) 8.30 A Paul Morley Show.

 CHOICE: This extraordinary enterprise, which could happen onlyon Channel 4, is best described in its host's own words. Morley calls it his dream idea of "a nineties pop-trash variety show". The ingredients are a gansh set with a ndiculously sleep staircase, no audience and a rait of celebrities so diverse that you spend most of the show wondering how they were chosen Presumably they are Morley's own levountes, for nothing otherwise unites Carla Lane (talking about enimals), J.G. Ballard (talking about television and and the comedian Brian Conley (sporting joke teeth). Carly Simon is also here, though played by an actress, together with more mainstream variety performers such as Leslie Crowther and Lionel Blair. Whether it is all deeply meaningful or just pretentious and includent must be for the viewer to decide (96215).

9.30 Cheers. Cliff is Include into flying to California to be part of the audience on Johnny Carson's The Tonight Show, believing that one of the lates well be used on the chart of Clettert (1) 157673).

of his jokes will be used on the show (Teletext) (s) (57673) 10.00 Nurses. Miami-based black comedy. (Teletext) (s) (26215)



Macho men on the rampage: David, Alan, Stave (10.30pm)

10.30 Short Stories Special: The Sex Hunters
● CHOICE. This film about six macho lads from the north seeking sexual excitement in Cornwall is such a blatant advertisement for male chauvinism that you can hardly believe it was made by two women. Perhaps the producer, Jane Stephenson, and director, Kim st, are trying to be fronic but their gender may not see it that way. The men, who are mostly in their twenties but include an unrepentant 37-year-old, take a caravan in Newquay for the summer season, work as barman and bouncers and spend much of their leisure hours trying to pull the birds. Their justification for this behaviour is that life is there to be enjoyed, not to be weighed down with kids and mortgages. But their attitude towards the women they sleep with is casual and dismissive, conquests to be totled up using toy cars on a race track (773147)

11.10 The Word. The guests are Dolf Lundgren. Nigel Benn and Jesus Jones (s) (919012) 12.10cm Pallas. Spool soap (r) (s) (1626838) 12.25 Film: Where Were You When the Lights Went Out? (1988) starring Doris Day, Robert Morse and Terry-Thomas Lively comedy of misunderstandings, directed by Hy Averback (640513)

2.05 Twilight Zone: Uncle Simon (b/w) (1747109)

2.30 American Football. Highlights (59616). Ends at 3.00

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 1,45 A Country Precioe (474708) 2,15-3,10 The Guidenburg Inheri-lance (7052147) 3,20-3,50 The Young Doctors (3422298) 5,10-5,40 Movies, Mov-Doctors (3422296) 5-10-5.40 Movies, Movies (8402550) 6.25-7.00 Anglis News (980251) 10.45 Chois Question Christines Outs (839708) 11.15 Film: Hell Night (584522) 1.05-1.35 Hodeon Confidential (5346548) BORDER

As London except: 1,45 Challengs of the Seas (474708) 2,15-3,10 Donahus (7052147) 3,26-3,50 The Young Doctors (342226) 5,10-5,40 Home and Away (8402550) 5,00 Lookaround (673) 5,30-7,00 (84(2550) 8.00 Lobraround (973) 8.37-7.00 Take the High Road (\$25) 19.40 Film: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly (85234296) 1.40 Film: Bachelor Party (354345) 3.40 ChremAtractions (40561159) 4.10 Night Beat (9407180) 5.05-8.30 America's Top CENTRAL

As London except: 1.15 A Country Pression (475437) 1.45 Home and Away (474708) 2.15-3.10 Florence or the Life in the Challetu (7052147) 3.20-3.50 Dining in France (7052147) 3.20-3.50 Dining in France st: 1.15 A Country Practice (342226) 5.10-5.40 Movies, Movies, Movies (8402550) 6.25-7.00 Central News (989031) 10.40 Central Weekend (9049302)

8.55am Weather 7.00 On Air, with Andrew Lyle.

9.00 Composer of the Week: Vivald — Customs and Dre

in F; No 11 in D

10.00 Morning Sequence: Martino (Sexet London Winds); Beethoven (Quintet in E flat, Op 16: Dennis Brain Wind Ensemble; Wilfred Parry, piano); Mahler (Lieder eines tahrenden; Gesellen: Janet Baker, mezzo, Geoffrey Parsons, plano); Janáček (Mladi: London Wands); Mahler (Starke Emblidungskraft;

Enmerung: Nicht weidersehen!: Ablösung in

Sommer: Janet Baker, mezzo, Geoffrey Parsons, plano); Mozart (Quintel in E flat, K452:

London Winds; Norko Ogawa,

12.00 The Portuguese Salon (r)

1.00pm News 1.05 St David's Hell Lunchtime

cello, John York, pieno.

perform Rachmaninov (Lied; Prejude in F, Op 2 No 1); Daniel Jones (Cello Sonala);

Rachmeninov (Cello Sonata in G minor, Op 19)

third of six programmes. Delius (Violin Sonata No 3:

Albert Sammons, violin, Kathleen Long, piano): George Butterworth (A Shropshire Lad:

Roy Henderson, barttone, Gerald Moore, plano); Bax (Nonet: Griller Quartel);

rkeley (Str Pretudes: Colin

Recital: Raphael Wa

2.00 Gramophone Premieres: Lyndon Jenkins presents th

niano)

On Air, with Andrew Cyse, including Hendel (Organ Concerto in F. The Cuckoo and the Nightingale); Fauré (Messe Basse): Beethoven (Duo for viola and cello); Haydh (Symphony No 45 in Fsharp minor, Farewell)

Stravaganza, Op 4: No 1 in 8 Ilat: No 8 in D minor, No 2 in E minor, No 4 in A minor, No 9

12.10 Film; Royal Flash (Roddy McDowell, Alan Bates) (378906) 2.95 Film; The Brave Don't Cry (864089) 3.45 The Hit Man

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As London except: 1.15 A Country Practice (475437) 1.45 Home and Away (474708) 2.15-2.16 Doneluse (7052147) 3.20-3.59 The Young Doctors (3422256) 5.10-5.49 Home and Away (8402550) 6.08 Blockbusters (673) 6.30-7.00 Granatic Toright (925) 10.40 Film: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly (68234256) 1.40 Film: Bechelor Party (254345) 3.40 CiremMarcations (83976221) 4.05 Raw Power (9498452) 5.05-8.30 America's Top Tan (6427180) **HTV WEST**

As London except 1.45-2.15 With You Ware Hard? (474708) 3.20-3.50 A Country Practice (3422298) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (8462550) 6.00 HTV News (673) 6.30-7.00 HTV Sportsweek (928) 10.40 Film: Carry On Admiral (60422944) 12.15-1.35 Film: Our Girl Priday (1706172) HTV WALES

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As London except: 1.45 A Country Practice (474708) 2.15 Discovering Gardens

Magnificat in D, 9WV 243
4.30 Music from Latin America:
Lucy Durar introduces music
from Peraguay
5.00 in Tune: Richard Baker meets

5.00 in Tune: Richard Baker meets the soprano Heather Harper 7.30 Philitermonia under Esepeida Salonen, ilva irom the Festival Hail, London, performs Lazt (Plano Concerto No 2 in A: Emanuel Ax). 7.50 An interval talk by Jonathan Swain on Mahler the conductor. 8.10 Mahler (Symohony No 3 in D

Mahler (Symphony No 3 in D minor: Anne Solie von Otter, contrelto; Winchester Cathedral Choir; Winchester

College Quiristers; Philharmonia Chorus)

9.50 The Gospel According to Piero: The Resurrection. Professor John White gives the

lest of five talks on the Renalssance painter Piero della Francesca

performs Telemann (Quartet in D, Paris Quartet No 1); Leclair (Soneta in G, Op 9 No 7); Telemann (Suite No 2 In B

della Francesca

9.55 Trio Sonnerie — Monica
Huggett, violin, Serah
Cunningham, viola da gamba,
Mizi Meyerson, harpsichord
— with Wilbert Hazelzet, flutte.

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12.25pm The Food Programme, presented by Derek Cooper

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1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke

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3.00 Special Assignment: From Pg Irok to High-Technology. Gordon Clough visits Telford in the West Miclands.

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Bacts: Monteverdi Choir: 4.00 Bach: Monteverdi Choir; English Baroque Soloists under Gardiner perform English Baroque Soloiats and Karlneinz Siockhausen 12.30-12.35am News 12.30-12.35am News

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11.30 Midnight Oil: Philip Tagney
presents a sound-portrait of
Germany in the 1960s, looking
at works by Holger Caukey
and Kartheinz Stockhausen

12.30-12.35am News

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Misery at the Citterion Theetre; and talks to the controversial artists Gilbert and George (s) 4.45 Short Story: The Clerk's Tale, by V.S. Pritchett. Read by Riecce Directale (r) 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News

6.30 Going Places: The transport programme with Janet Trawn 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers (s) 7.20 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serie (s) 8.05 Any Questions? Jonathan 5 Any Cruscitons? Jonathan Dimbleby chairs, a discussion in Baribuly, Oxfordshire, between Lady Howe, chairwoman of Opportunity 2000; Glenys Kinnock, chairwoman of One World Action; Sir Nigel Mobbs, chairman of Alms of Industry and Slough Estates plc; and Anthony Smith, president of Magdalen College, Oxford at Stein Press. with John

8.50 Stop Press, with John Diamond .

9.15 Kaleidoscope: The Eiruscans

in Paris ● CHOICE: Louisa Buck throws light on more than artefacts in her overview of the ariefacts in her over current exhibition in Peris on imcressively devoted to an impressively wide-ranging survey of Etruscen civilisation. It is the Etruscans, apparently, whom we must thank for some of the more erotic passages in Lady Chatterley's Lover, and a cheerers's Lover, and a fencial case is made out for regarding the Etruscans, foretathers of the Formans, as harbinglers of the new European order that provided the agencie at last week's Effort man account feet for

Edinburgh summit (s) (f)

9.45 Letter from America by
Alistair Cooke 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustin (s)

10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Escape from Siberia, by Leon Trolsky.
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Andrew Sache reads the first of five parts (s):

11.00 Week Ending: A satirical review of the week's news (s):

11.25 The Financial Week:

11.45 Today in Parliament:

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FRIDAY DECEMBER 18 1992

Hawthorns ban should not have been made

Police admit they were wrong to ground Gould

WEST Midlands Police last night admitted they were wrong to ban Bobby Gould, the Coventry City manager, from attending the FA Cup second-round replay between West Bromwich Albion, his former club, and Wycombe Wanderers on Tuesday.

Gould, who said yesterday that he would be writing to the prime minister to question whether his civil liberties had been infringed, was told by police that his presence at The Hawthorns might have incited crowd trouble.

Last night, however, the police accepted they should we should not have been drawn into these discussions with West Bromwich Albion." Clive Roche, assistant chief constable of West Midlands FA Cup second-round tie with

Burnley at Turf Moor earlier

this month after threats from some of the Lancashire club's

supporters.
For the replay at Gay Mead-

ow on Tuesday, Bond sat at the back of the Shrewsbury

stand disguised as a steward.
Gould, who had been due to
help with television commen-

tary at The Hawthorns on

Tuesday, said: "I am writing to John Major and his minis-

ter for sport to find out whether my civil liberties have

been infringed. If they have, I

will be taking up the matter

with my advisers."
Gould, who was dismissed as manager of West Brom-

wich at the end of last season,

received a telephone call from

Trevor Summers, the Albion

chairman, four hours before

the match informing him he was "not welcome" at The

BSkyB agreed to remove

him from the commentary team only after the police had informed Vic Wakeling, the chief executive of Sky Sports,

that they were concerned Gould's presence could incite crowd trouble.

would have caused any undue problems." Gould said. "They

might have jeered but they are

"in my opinion, the Albion

board over-reacted to the

whole situation. They have

now set a dangerous

precedent. How come Ron

Atkinson had no problems in

going back to Hillsborough, a

couple of months after walk-

ing out on Sheffield Wednes-

day, and I am banned from

Managers' Association's at-

tempts to try to guarantee that

we are not going to be intimi-dated by clubs or the local

Summers said: "The cir-

cumstances are that Bobby

Gould is a very well paid

football manager and it is not

as if his living has been cut off

or that he is in dire straits. He

took a lot of stick while he was

manager of Albion and the

police thought it in the inter-

ests of everyone that he should

"If he has written to the

prime minister, then good

auck to him. If everyone in

football kept writing to the

prime minister whenever they

had a problem, the poor chap

would have nothing else to do

but try and solve our problems."

"I fully support the Football

The Hawthorns?

police."

"I do not believe the fans

Hawthorns.

Police, said. "It is not our role to become involved in decisions of this nature and, in future, as far as the West Midlands Police is concerned, Mr Gould or any other manager may attend any match at any time."
The Football Managers' As-

sociation has expressed its concern at the second case in two weeks of supporters threattheir former clubs. John Bond,

Dalglish signs Swede

persuaded Patrick Andersson, the Swedish defender, to join Blackburn Rovers.

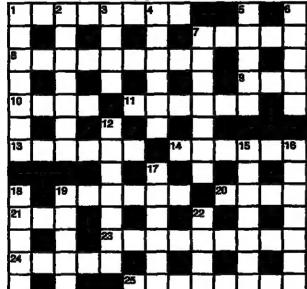
Andersson, who plays for Malmö, arrived in Lancashire on Wednesday to open negoti-ations with Dalglish, the Blackburn manager, after the clubs had provisionally agreed a transfer fee of around £750,000. Andersson, 21, agreed to join Rovers yesterday morning, and after he had undergone a statutory medical examination, the dub applied for a work permit.

Dalglish is hopeful of sign-ing Robbie Earle, from Wimbledon, for £1.5-£2 million in the next few days. If both spending in 15 months will exceed £12 million.

☐ Gordon Durie, of Tottenham Hotspur, has been told that, although he was cleared by an FA appeal board of feigning an injury during the match against Coventry City on August 18, the two points he received for ungentlemanty conduct - the booking for his actions — stand.

might have jeered but they are not malicious. Not for one moment did I worry about going back to The Hawthorns for the replay."

"I had nothing to be ashamed of, especially as it was Bob Taylor, who I signed last season, who scored the winning goal to rest Albico in winning goal to put Albion in the third round." **CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 2974**



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- Fraudulently manipulate
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- 13 Craving (6)
- 14 Wimbledon game (6)
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- 20 Spirit (4) 21 Everyone (3)
- 23 Weight (9)
- 24 Begin working (3,2)
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WINNING MOVE In this position from the ation on 0424 442500 game Gallagher - Lane. (Raymond Keene). Solution Foreign & Colonial Hastings on page 32.

Masters 1990. Joe Gallagher scored a grandmaster result in this tournament which helped him on his way in the quest for grandmaster title. How did he force immediate victory here? British grandmasters Nunn and Speelman will be among the eight players in the top section at this year's Hastings tournament Further details from the British Chess Feder-

WCHD: WASCHING 3 By PHILIP HOWARD

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FIZGIG a. A one-horse carriage c. A police informer

Bath sponge (6)

Dally (5)

7 Silly mistake (7)

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Funds provider (7)

19 Dish (5)

22 Layer (4)

GLOIRE DE DUON

b. A red-hot mustard

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c. The troubadour Cantorus

c. With decided prejudices

a. A yellow rose

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a. Costive

b. Past aorist

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1 Renaissance (7) Working together (7)

Consider carefully (5)

17 Awkward predicament

GRAHAM Taylor yesterday refused to reserve a place in the England side for Ian Wright, who has been charged with misconduct by the Football Association. By implication, the consequences of the case could be more severe for the Arsenal forward than the punishment that

injury on Wednesday. Although Wright is unlikely

aiming a punch at David Howells during the match at White Hart Lane last Saturday, he will probably be

Marian and the second s

suspended for two or three games. The period of the ban is likely to precede the visit of England's least threatening

AS THE England cricketers

prepare to depart, ten days hence, on a four top-heavy with one-day games, a determ-ination has emerged to sustain

and nourish the traditional,

five-day Test match in

England.
The Test and County

Cricket Board's defiance of the

trend towards limited-overs

cricket has become increasing-

ly lonely, but nonetheless ad-

mirable for that. Yesterday at

Lilleshall, Ted Deuter, chair-

man of the England commit-

tee, cycled around the

watching his players at work

before lending his voice to the

There was, perhaps, a veiled

acknowledgment of that other

campaign in Dexter's remarks

about the imbalance of eight

one-day internationals to four

Tests in India and Sri Lanka

position where we felt we could not put our best one-day

side on the field," he said.

Thus, Hick and Fairbrother

Dexter, however, warmed

quickly to his chosen theme.

We cannot dictate tour itiner-

aries to our hosts, hard though

we may negotiate. Similarly,

they cannot dictate to us when

they come to England, and

our board has been extremely

successful in maintaining the health and volume of Test

cricket in this country. We did

but no Gower.

We would not have wanted a

campaign for real cricket.

Sports Centre,

National

opponents in group two. Under the FA's guidelines, any player under domestic suspension cannot be selected for friendly fixtures but is allowed to appear in competitive games. Even if Wright is still serving the ban, he would technically be available but Taylor indicated that leniency might not be shown.

"My contract states that I have total control over team selection except when the FA considers a player, by his behaviour on or off the pitch, not worthy," he said. "We have never gone down that road and it would be a bit unfortunate if we did."

Nor has action been taken retrospectively against miscreants. Tony Adams, the Arsenal captain, regained his England place once he had served a prison sentence for drink-driving.

Taylor, though, reiterated that those chosen to represent the country were responsible for their own deeds. "International players must understand that their behaviour at

tant as it is for England,"

FA's rule governing domestic suspension because it is saying that misbehaviour can cost you your international place. I can't be held responsible for their [the players]

pect of Wright being idle during the build-up to the game against San Marino, he replied: "That is his problem." Although be insisted that Wright had "caused me no

Wright: FA charge

English counterparts for adwhen every day of an Indian Test would be played to a full vice on what amounts to a relaunch of the five-day game house are long gone. Even at Eden Gardens in in England, where Test

offered on a tour that is now

certain to proceed unless there is a serious deterioration of the

religious unrest in India.
The Board of Control for

Officials will take stock again

next Wednesday but they are

especially keen for England's

visit to proceed because, apart

from a lone Test against Sri

Lanka two years ago, India has not hosted a full Test series

Whatever the long-term

prospects for Test cricket, it

has to be faced that the time

for four years.

The cap fits: Gooch was equipped for summer conditions in yesterday's winter sunshine at Lilleshall

England winning Test debate

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

experiment with five one-day

internationals last summer

three in favour of Test cricket

and, although other countries

have found financial difficul-

ties in this regard, I hope some will soon follow suit and

This may seem a pious hope

in a week when interminable series of one-day games are

proceeding in both Australia

and South Africa. I under-

stand, however, that members

of the Australian Board, anx-

ious over the direction their

game is taking, are examining

ways of restoring the pre-

eminence of Tests, while the

authorities in another country

have informally asked their

cricket continues to attract

crowds and generate vast reve-

nue, next summer's Ashes

series is already being spoken of as a financial bonanza.

Elsewhere, the easy buck to be

made on an overs game,

especially under lights, has led short-sighted officials to treat

Test series as an anachronism

that in time might disappear.

That attitude is now being

For this winter, at least,

though, it is a case of biting the

bullet and taking what is

as a spectator sport.

change the emphasis back."

but that won't be repeated. . "Our chosen balance is six-

> Calcutta, where the series begins on January 29, the atmo-sphere could be flat for what will be Graham Gooch's hundredth Test. As he also starts the tour on 99 first-class centuries, the landmarks can hardly be ignored but, typically, he said yesterday: "I will only think about it if I get to

Gooch remains as fit and enthusiastic as virtually anyone in his party and is in no mood now to put a date on his retirement. Dexter. however. diverted any talk of him

Cricket in India (BCCI) is. confident that the itinerary will be as agreed. The executive secretary of the board, P. R. Umrigar said yesterday: "No alternative sort of frostbound day most of India has never known, gives schedule has been prepared."

tell us when he is ready." Gooch believes that the Whittingdale sponsored preparation, spread over six weeks at Lilleshall and ending on the him an enviable start. Attention to detail has been impressive, right down to the senior side practising with Indian balls and the A team with the Australian variety.

staying on as captain beyond next summer. "Graham must never be rushed on these things," he smiled. "He will

"As important as anything," Gooch said, "is that we have dready created a team spirit. We are not starting from scratch when we get there."

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Stewart lined up for Lewis

MARC ASPLAND

By Srikumar Sen

LENNOX Lewis could fulfil his desire to make the first defence of his World Boxing Council title against Alex Stewart if an application to the WBC is successful Lewis's manager. Frank Maloney, had a long talk yesterday with José Sulaimán, the WBC president, about Lewis defending against Stewart before the No. 1 challenger, Tony Tucker, who is managed by Don King. Sulaiman asked

Sulaimán Maloney to put in a formal application. The WBC, after stripping Riddick Bowe of the title for not agreeing to defend against Lewis, had insisted Lewis make a mandatory defence against Tucker first up.

Maloney is confident that the WBC will agree to his request. Maloney said: The request will go before the WBC committee and I think we will be able to get Stewart first. We had a very friendly and amicable conversation and he is 100 per cent behind Lewis and his management team and happy to see the title in the hands of a man with

dignity.
Sulaiman put his case
as to why we should fight
Tucker first and I put mine to him about voluntary defence, and Sulaimán replied that if that was Lennox Lewis's wish, the WBC would do all in its power to

grant it."

Maloney has aiready contacted Stewart's backers and they are eager to make the match. Stewart, who is No. 5 in the WBC rankings, is a London-born Jamaican who boxes out of New York. He has met most of the leading contenders, including Mike Tyson, Evander Holyfield and George Foreman. Tyson had no trouble stopping him, but Holyfield and Foreman

had to struggle. Seth Abraham, the bead of HBO, will be coming to London before Christmas to talk to Maloney about a new contract for Lewis. The bout with Stewart could be one of the package if the WBC approves Lewis's application.

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Taylor offers Wright little hope

BY STUART JONES POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

may be imposed.

No date has been set for Wright's hearing and, as Gordon Durie, of Tottenham Hotspur, discovered, disciplinary procedures can be annoyingly prolonged. Almost four months after being charged with a different offence but under the same rule, Durie was cleared of feigning

to have to wait so long for his fate to be decided, any sentence could effectively rule him out of contention for the next World Cup qualifying tie against San Marino at Wembley on February 17.
If Wright is found guilty of

Taylor said.
"I happen to agree with the

When asked about the pros-

bother". Arsenat's leading

scorer did not respond well when he was omitted during the 1991 summer tour of the South Pacific. Only in October did he become Alan

Shearer's regular partner. Taylor, who has seen on television the incident involving Howells, has no intention of contacting Wright when he returns from Turkey today. By the time he carries out his next duty, the announcement of his squad in February, he may have decided to redesign dand's attack.

David Hirst's opportunities have been consistently limited by injury and, if he is fit, Taylor could bring him in to work with Shearer. Wright's natural fear would be that the new partnership - given the weakness of San Marino, who conceded ten goals against Norway - is almost certain to be productive.

Taylor would inevitably be reluctant to break it up the following month when England play Turkey in Istanbul. With one rash and ill-advised blow, Wright may have punched a hole in his international career and might even have terminated it.